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FIVE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

THE PACIFIC AT ST. JOHNS.

More Government Help Wanted by the Atlantic Telegraph Company.

Montalembert's Appeal to Come Before the Superior Court.

THE SPANISH-MEXICAN QUESTION.

Reduction of the Bank of England's Rate of Discount.

Further Decline in Cotton---Breadstuffs and Provisions Very Dull.

CONSOLS 96 3-4@96 7-8 EX DIV.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Wednesday, Dec. 22.

The steamship *Pacific* has arrived at this port from Galway on the evening of the 19th inst.

She brings Liverpool mail advices of the evening of the 8th, and telegraphic accounts from Liverpool and London to the 9th.

The Royal Mail steamship *Asia* from New-York on the 24th ult., arrived at Liverpool on the 5th inst.

The screw-steamship *Glasgow*, from New-York on the 24th ult., arrived at Glasgow on the 7th inst.

The screw-steamship *Kangaroo* left Liverpool for New-York at noon of the 8th inst.

The United States sloop-of-war *Marion* was at St. Vincents Nov. 23. The *Macedonian* was at Alexandria on the 19th, and the steam-frigate *Wabash* at Malta on the 23d November.

The troop-ship *Bombay* had returned to Plymouth, completely dismasted. She had lost overboard twelve of her crew.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the Atlantic Telegraph was called for the 15th December, to consider the condition of affairs. A petition was in circulation calling on the Government to give a guarantee on the new capital necessary to prosecute the enterprise.

A collision had occurred in the English Channel between the steamship *Ceylon* and the American ship *Waban*, bound from Calcutta to Hamburg. The latter was seriously damaged, and lost overboard her chief officer and one seaman, but was subsequently towed to Plymouth by the *Ceylon*.

The French Government have decided on allowing the appeal of MONTALEMBERT to come before the Superior Court.

The *Moniteur* officially declares that the disquietude as to the relations between France and Austria, caused by the newspaper discussions, is by no means justified.

France had concluded a treaty with Japan similar to that made by England.

The Queen of Spain, in her speech at the opening of the Cortes, said, that everything compatible with the national dignity was being done to secure a pacific solution of the Mexican difficulty, and that, if an immediate result was not obtained, the resolutions already prepared would be energetically resorted to.

The address in response to the speech was adopted unanimously.

Austria and Prussia are said to be negotiating better defensive understandings between themselves.

The Bombay mail brings the Queen's proclamation, which was read throughout India on Nov. 1. Its terms are liberal. It guarantees to protect religious freedom, confirms all existing treaties and rights, and offers a general amnesty to all save the murderers of the British, provided a submission is made by the rebels before the 1st of January.

LATEST BY MAIL.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday Evening.

LORD DERBY acknowledges the receipt of a memorial praying for Government aid to the Atlantic Telegraph, and promises to lay it before the Commissioner of the Treasury.

The *Times'* Paris correspondent hears that it was decided, at a Cabinet Council, that Count DE MONTALEMBERT's appeal should be allowed to come before the Court, but that the answer to it will simply be the Emperor's pardon, which, it will be pleaded, covers everything that the penalty imposed, and the possible effects of the new penal law.

Mr. GLADSTONE in a speech to the Ionian Senate said, that his mission was simply to inquire how England can most satisfactorily discharge her obligations to Ionia.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 9—Noon.

The question in regard to the Atlantic Cable will be decided in a few days, and it is thought that the Government will guarantee a new capital. If so, a contract for a new Cable will immediately be made.

The Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount ½ ⅌ cent.

Commercial Intelligence.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

The sales of COTTON in the Liverpool market for the three days succeeding the departure of the *Arabia* were 18,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were on speculation and for export. All qualities had slightly declined, the middling descriptions to the extent of ⅛d. on Uplands and 1-16d. on Orleans and Mobiles. Holders offered their stocks freely, but showed no disposition to press sales. Messrs. CLARE & SONS quote Middling Orleans at 6¾d. and Middling Uplands at 6 11-16d. The market closed with a declining tendency.

STATE OF TRADE IN MANCHESTER.

The advices from Manchester are favorable. Goods were firm.

LIVERPOOL BREADSTUFFS MARKET.

Messrs. RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co. quote FLOUR very dull, and quotations nominal; Ohio 22s.@24s. WHEAT very dull and nominally unchanged. CORN has a declining tendency and prices were slightly lower; Mixed, 26s.@27s.; Yellow, 27s.@28s.; White, 30s.@31s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL PROVISION MARKET.

Messrs. RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co. quote BEEF heavy and pressingly offered by holders. PORK dull; ordinary Western 65s. BACON heavy and prices irregular. LARD quiet, and buyers holding back; quotations nominal at 54s.@54s. 6d. TALLOW in but little inquiry and prices weak. Butchers' 51s. 6d.@52s.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET.

RESIN was dull at 4s. 2d.@4s. 3d. for common. ASHES dull; Pots slightly lower and quoted at 29s.; Pearls 32s. SUGAR quiet but steady. RICE dull. SPIRITS TURPENTINE steady at 40s.

LONDON MARKETS.

In the London market BREADSTUFFS were steady. SUGAR steady. COFFEE firm. TEA—An average business, without quotable change in rates. PIG IRON steady at 54s. 6d.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

CONSOLS closed on the 8th at 97⅞@98 for money, and 98⅛@98¼ for account.

AMERICAN STOCKS.

Illinois Central shares were quoted at 29 ⅌ cent. discount. New-York Central shares, 74@76.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday evening, Dec. 8.

The sales of COTTON to-day were 8,000 bales. The demand has been better, without any improvement in prices. Holders still offer freely, without pressing sales.

PROVISIONS are dull. LARD is heavy. TALLOW firmer. The Produce market is generally unchanged.

LONDON, Wednesday, Dec. 8—Evening.

CONSOLS close at 98⅛ for money, and 98¼@98⅜ for account. SUGAR is steady. COFFEE firm. TALLOW very firm.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Dec. 9—Noon.

The COTTON market is firm to-day, and the sales are estimated at 8,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS are dull, except CORN, which is in rather more demand, but freely sold.

PROVISIONS continue dull.

SUGAR is dull. COFFEE is quiet. Other articles are without change.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 9—Noon.

CONSOLS for account are quoted at 96¾@96⅞ ex. dividend. The books are shut, and there is no quotation for MONEY.

The Georgia Lottery Laws.

AUGUSTA, Thursday, Dec. 23.

At the recent session of our Legislature, some important laws were passed in relation to the subject of lotteries. In the "Amended Tax Bill" it is provided:

SEC. 3. That each manager of any lottery, authorized by the laws of this State, shall pay to the State Treasurer $1,000 annually, free of all costs of collection, and in case of failure to pay the same, the said manager, or his agent, shall be subject to the same penalty and collection of taxes as is now provided for defaulting Banks.

The following act was also passed and approved by the Governor, viz.:

"An act to repeal all laws and parts of laws authorizing lotteries in the State of Georgia and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of the State of Georgia do enact, That from and after the first day of June, 1860, all laws and parts of laws authorizing lotteries in the State of Georgia, or the vending of lottery tickets in said State, be and the same are hereby repealed."

The Steamship Ariel.

HALIFAX, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The steamship *Ariel* went out yesterday morning, but had to put back in consequence of the gale. She sailed again at 3 P. M. to-day for New-York.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Naval Nominations—Another Fillibuster Expedition—The Cuban Question—Adjournment for the Holidays, &c.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 23.

Great pressure has been brought to bear on the President yesterday and to-day to induce him to send in the nominations of Lieut. BOYLE and various other Naval officers, but without avail. One additional nomination—that of Lieut. CHARLES HUNTER, for transfer from the Furlough to the Deave Pay list—was transmitted to the Senate to-day, and confirmed.

The law authorizing the nominations will expire on the 1st of January, so there is no hope for the remainder of the retired officers with the exception of Commodore STEWART, in whose case a special act will doubtless be passed.

The high words in secret session, yesterday, were between TOOMBS, JEFFERSON DAVIS, and MALLORY. TOOMBS applied harsh epithets to the Naval Board, which necessarily provoked sharp retorts from those sustaining the Board. S.

[FROM THE REPORTER FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The Government this morning received a telegraphic dispatch from New-Orleans, giving a few particulars relative to another fillibustering expedition from that port against Nicaragua. The Federal officers will be forthwith instructed to redouble their vigilance to suppress it.

The object of Senator BROWN's resolution was to confer the brevet rank of Admiral in the Navy on Commodore STEWART, who, he said, all would agree, had been harshly treated by the Retiring Board. There seems to be no doubt that it will pass.

Lieutenant-Colonel DE RUSSEY was yesterday assigned to the command of the Corps of Engineers, and to the charge of that Bureau of the War Department.

The Secretary of War has asked Congress for nearly $400,000, to pay the Florida volunteers called into service by Gen. HARNEY and Col. LOOMIS during the years 1857 and 1858.

Among the many bills introduced in the House to-day was one by Mr. BRANCH, of North Carolina, appropriating one million of dollars to enable the President to conclude with Spain a treaty of amity, and for the settlement of all differences, including the cession of Cuba,—to be used by him, if he think fit, in advance of the ratification of such treaty by the Senate; if there is not at the time payment is required that much money in the Treasury the President is authorized to borrow it. The bill was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

The Catholic priest who opened the Senate with prayer to-day, was Father BOYLE, of St. Patrick's Church, this city. The Senate was full of priests in the dress of surplice and cassock. It is the first occasion since the foundation of the Government that the entire vestments of the Romish clergy have been seen in either chamber. The Reverend Father read from the breviary Bishop CARROLL's prayer for those in authority. The Chamber happened to be crowded, and much interest and curiosity was manifested, with every appearance of devotion in the Senators and spectators.

A large number of Members of Congress left the city to-day to spend the holidays at home, and many others have made arrangements to follow their example.

C. P. SENGSTACK was, to-day, confirmed by the Senate as Warden of the District of Columbia Penitentiary.

The highest bid for the construction of the Atchafalaya, La., Light-house, was by REANY, NEAFIE & Co., of Philadelphia, $12,000, and the lowest by the West Point Foundry, N. Y., $8,000. There were nine other bids ranging between these figures.

In the Senate to-day, a memorial was presented from the grandson of General NATHANIEL GREENE, of Rhode Island, asking for aid to publish the correspondence other the papers of that patriot. It was referred to the Committee on the Library.

The sloop-of-war *Plymouth* has been ordered to Norfolk for repairs.

XXXVth Congress---Second Session.

SENATE... WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The Senate was opened with prayer by a Catholic priest, in a white surplice.

Various memorials were presented, and a message was received from the President of the United States.

Mr. CRITTENDEN, of Kentucky, introduced a bill to regulate the manner of election of United States Senators. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The time within which the creditors of Texas must present their claims at the Treasury is extended until Jan. 1, 1862.

Mr. STUART, of Michigan, attempted to bring up the Agricultural College bill, of which the following are the provisions:

"This bill grants public lands to the several States and territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

SECTION 1 Enacts that 5,920,000 acres of land be apportioned to each State in quantity equal to 20,000 acres for each Senator and Representative in Congress, to which the States are now respectively entitled.

SEC. 2. That the said land, after being surveyed, shall be apportioned in sections, or subdivisions of sections not less than one-quarter of a section; and wherever there are public lands in a State worth $1 25 per acre—(the Governor to determine the value)—the apportionment shall be selected from such lands. Where there are no public lands of the value of $1 25 per acre, the Secretary of the Interior shall issue land scrip to the amount of their distributive shares in acres, said scrip to be sold by such State and the proceeds applied for the purposes of this act. *Provided*, That in no case shall any State locate its land scrip within the limits of any other State, but their assignees may locate their scrip on any unappropriated public lands, subject to private entry.

SEC. 3. All expenses of management and disbursement shall be paid by the respective States, so that the entire proceeds of the land shall accrue to the colleges.

SEC. 4. All moneys from land and scrip shall be invested in United States, or other safe stocks, yielding not less than 5 per cent.—which sums invested shall constitute a perpetual fund, forever undiminished, of which the interest shall be inviolably applied to the maintenance of at least one college in each State, where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific or classical studies, to teach such branches of learning as relate to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the legislatures may prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life.

SEC. 5 Details various financial minutiæ, and permits 10 per cent. of the grant to be expended in purchase of sites for experimental farms. An annual report shall be prepared by each college, and be sent to every other college constituted under this act, also to the Smithsonian Institution and the Agricultural Department of the Patent Office. This bill passed the House of Representatives April 22, 1858.

Messrs. FITZPATRICK, of Alabama, Iverson of Georgia, and BRIGHT, of Indiana, objected, and the Senate refused to take up the bill by Nays 28, Yeas 20.

A debate next sprang up on the bill giving a pension to the widow and family of Colonel TURNBULL, which was warmly advocated by Mr. CRITTENDEN, and occupied considerable time over the morning hour.

Mr. DAVIS, of Mississippi, in the course of his remarks on it, said that if army officers of high attainments were to be retained in the service at small pay, they were entitled to a liberal construction of the rules.

Mr. HOUSTON, of Texas, as usual, in all cases of old soldiers or old soldiers' widows, spoke zealously in its favor.

Finally, $30 a month was granted by a vote of 26 against 18.

The Senate agreed to go into the new hall on reassembling, and then adjourned to Jan. 4.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 23.

Mr. COMINS, of Massachusetts, introduced a bill regulating the duties on imports and for other purposes, which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. JOHN COCHRANE, of New-York, proposed a joint resolution of thanks to Captain SAMUEL C. REED, for having designed the present flag of the United States. Referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. GEORGE TAYLOR, of New-York, a special Committee of five was ordered to be appointed to investigate the accounts of the late Superintendent of Public Printing, with power to send for persons and papers, and report at any time.

Messrs. RITCHIE and MORRIS, of Pennsylvania, severally made unsuccessful efforts to introduce propositions looking to the alteration of the tariff with a view to protection and specific duties.

Mr. GROW, of Pennsylvania, asked, but failed to obtain, leave to introduce a bill fixing the annual meeting of Congress on the second Monday of November.

Mr. PHILLIPS introduced a joint resolution authorizing the President to confer the title of Captain in-Chief for eminent naval services. Referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

On motion of Mr. BOCOCK, a resolution calling on the President to inform the House whether any measures had recently been taken to procure a reduction of the duties by foreign Governments on American tobacco was adopted.

Mr. COVODE, of Pennsylvania, asked leave to introduce a resolution for the appointment of a Committee of five to inquire into the facts charged by the President of the United States contained in the letter to the President of the Centennary Committee at Pittsburg, that money had been thrown into Pennsylvania to influence the State Congressional election in opposition to his wishes, and to report the names of the persons implicated.

The introduction of this resolution was objected to amidst loud laughter.

On motion of Mr. TAYLOR, of Louisiana, the Committee on Ways and Means were instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing so much of the act as provides for the debasing of silver half dollars and other smaller coins, and making them legal tender in sums not exceeding $5.

Mr. TAYLOR also introduced a bill authorizing Louisiana to impose tonnage duties for the improvement of the channel of the Mississippi.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, introduced a bill to repeal the English Act for the admission of Kansas into the Union. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. LEITER, of Ohio, introduced a bill authorizing the people of the Territories to elect all their officers, which was similarly referred.

Mr. BINGHAM introduced a bill providing that the present system of mileage be abolished after the present Congress, and that members be allowed only their actual traveling expenses. Referred to the Committee on Mileage.

Mr. MORRIS, of Illinois, introduced a bill for the admission of sugar and salt free of duty, and a bill giving the right to the Territories to elect Governors and all other officers.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, introduced a bill providing for the laying out of a post route from Leavenworth to the head-waters of the South Fork of the Platte River, near Pike's Peak.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, endeavored to introduce a resolution instructing the Committee on Naval Affairs to inquire and report what further measures are necessary to carry out the article on the Ashburton Treaty for the suppression of the Slave-trade.

Mr. BLAIR, of Missouri, asked, but failed to receive consent, to introduce a resolution declaring the Supreme Court decision in the Dred Scott case extrajudicial, illegal and void, and asserting that Congress should vindicate the right to legislate on Slavery in the Territories.

Mr. PHELPS, of Missouri, from the Ways and Means Committee, reported the Civil, Navy, Legislative, Executive and Judicial appropriation bills.

Mr. PARROTT, of Kansas, introduced a bill to reduce the military reservation at Leavenworth, and to trace the northern boundary of Kansas.

Mr. FERGUSON, of Minnesota, introduced a Homestead bill.

A large number of bills and resolutions on a variety of subjects were introduced, and referred to appropriate Committees.

Adjourned to the 4th of January.

The Popular Sovereignty Bill.

The following is the bill relative to the Territories, introduced in the House by Mr. MORRIS of Illinois:

A Bill for an act granting to the people of the several organized Territories of the United States the right to provide, through their respective Legislatures, for the appointment or election of their Governors, Judges and all other Territorial officers in such mode or manner as said Legislature may by law determine.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the people of the several organized territories of the United States be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint and elect their Governors, Judges, and all other territorial officers, in such mode or manner as their respective Legislatures may by law determine, and to define their powers and prescribe their duties. *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to interfere with the right of the existing officers in said territories, or those that may be hereafter appointed by the President, to hold their respective offices until their successors are appointed or elected, and qualified in pursuance of the laws of said territories.

SEC. 2. The people of the Territories hereafter organized by act of Congress, shall be vested with the same right and power of appointing or electing their Governors, Judges and all other territorial officers, and defining their powers and prescribing their duties, which, by the provision of the foregoing section, are conferred on the people of the Territories now organized.

SEC. 3. That all suits and causes of action in the said Territories, arising under the Constitution and laws of the United States, shall be tried at such times and in such manner as Congress may by law provide.

SEC. 4. That the people of any territory of the United States now organized or which may be hereafter organized, are hereby authorized and empowered to call a Convention and frame a Constitution preparatory to admission into the Union as a State, in such manner as their Legislature may by law prescribe. *Provided*, That application for such admission into the Union shall not be made until the population of such territory shall be sufficiently numerous to entitle it to one Representative in the House of Representatives on the basis of apportionment of representation established by Congress for the several States. And provided further that no such application shall be received or entertained by Congress, until the Constitution framed for said territory shall be submitted to the people thereof, by a direct vote, for their approval or rejection, and shall have been approved by a majority of the legal voters of said territory. And *Provided* further, that nothing herein contained shall operate against the immediate admission of Kansas and Oregon into the Union.

SEC. 5. All acts and parts of acts coming in conflict with this act be and the same is hereby repealed.

The Southern Pacific Railroad.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Convention met again last evening, and the prominent stockholders gave details of their connection with the Road, showing that no fraudulent stock had been issued. General RICHARDSON, Chairman of the Business Committee, showed that enough money was already provided to pay for immediate liabilities.

The New-Orleans stockholders promised their earnest coöperation, and to-day were actively paying the amount required to free the Road from all the claims against it. The Convention adjourned to-night.

Paulsen's Blindfold Games of Chess.

PITTSBURG, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The second game of chess between LEWIS PAULSEN and the Pittsburg Chess Club has resulted just as the first did, PAULSEN winning six and losing four. The game lasted nine hours and forty-five minutes.

Another School-House Burned.

BOSTON, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The Otis School-house, in East Cambridge, was totally destroyed by fire this afternoon. It cost $5,000.

Thick snow-storm this evening. Weather mild.

The Weather.

MONTREAL, Thursday, Dec. 23.

There was a heavy snow-storm yesterday. To-day the weather is cloudy and cold. The thermometer stood at zero at 8 A. M.

Southern Ocean Steamer Movements.

SAVANNAH, Wednesday, Dec. 22.

The U. S. Mail steamship *Florida* arrived below Tuesday, at 1 o'clock. All well.

Car-house Burnt.

ROUSE'S POINT, N. Y., Thursday, Dec. 23.

The Vermont Central car-house at West Alburgh, N. Y., was burnt down last night. One locomotive, a first and a second class passenger car were also destroyed.

The Ship Rebecca on Fire.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Dec. 23.

e ship *Rebecca*, of New-York, took fire in her hold to-day. The damage to her cargo of sugar and molasses, is as yet unknown.

Loss of the British Ship United Kingdom

The Belfast ship *United Kingdom*, Capt. ADAIR sailed from Quebec Oct. 6, with a cargo of lumber bound to Belfast. She had continual gales from the Banks. On the 7th of November, during a heavy gale she sprung the rudder, and was kept off to ease it. Afterwards, in a severe gale from the northwest, she lost the rudder entirely. The ship, for a few days, was steered with chains. Nov. 14, when in lat. 50° 17', long. 29° 30', she was fallen in with by the packet ship *Daniel Webster*, Captain SPENCER, from London for New-York. Although it was blowing a gale, the *Daniel Webster* hove to under the *United Kingdom's* lee, and by great exertions took all off and brought them to this port. The *United Kingdom* when left had five feet of water in the wells and was leaking three feet per hour. The crew were exhausted by labor at the pumps, and the ship was a most unmanageable. The rescued saved little or nothing from the ship.

CHINESE INTELLIGENCE.—The opening of commercial relations with China has led to the establishment of a bi-monthly newspaper in London called the *China Telegraph*. Its object is to present a more complete and accurate summary of intelligence from China and the East than is given in the other journals of the day. It is neatly printed, carefully compiled and ably edited. The first number was issued Nov. 30, and the subscription price is 18 shillings per annum.

Arrival of the Quaker City at New-Orleans.

ELEVEN DAYS LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

$1,500,000 in Treasure en route for New-York.

News from British Columbia, Oregon, the Sandwich Islands, &c.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The steamship *Quaker City* is below.

She has 123 passengers, and San Francisco dates of the 6th inst.

The steamship *Hermann* arrived at San Francisco on the 27th ult.

The bark *Columbus*, of New-London, was totally wrecked in Shasta Bay on the 10th of August.

The steamship *Golden Gate*, which left San Francisco on the 6th, for New-York, had $1,500,000 in treasure for New-York, and $333,000 for England.

Arrived at San Francisco ships *Stamboul* and *Mazorene* from London; *Abby Brown* from Liverpool. No arrivals from Atlantic ports reported.

Business was quiet.

Light rains had fallen.

The Overland Mail of the 11th ult. reached San Francisco 6th inst.

Money was easy.

Crushed Sugars were selling at 13c. Butter scarce at 32½c.@34c. Nails 4½c.

The political news is generally unimportant.

Honolulu dates are to the 18th ult. The Government surveying schooner *Fennimore Cooper* arrived there on the 9th.

The friends of Senator DOUGLAS at San Francisco and Sacramento fired a salute in honor of his success.

The census of Oregon shows that there are 42,850 inhabitants there and 9,000 voters.

The Governor of British Columbia had issued proclamations revoking the Crown grant to the Hudson Bay Company; organizing the Colonial Government; legalizing his previous acts, and adopting the laws of England.

The Legislature was to meet on the 6th, when DOUGLASS would be inaugurated.

Tehuantepec tickets sold at a premium at San Francisco.

A severe shock of an earthquake was felt on the 26th. It was accompanied with a gale of wind and freezing weather.

Colonel FREMONT had been ejected from the Merced Mining Company.

A block of frame buildings was burnt at Sacramento on the 2d instant.

There was much excitement at San Joaquin, in consequence of the finding of diamonds, rubies and opals there.

Great excitement existed throughout California on account of the law proceedings against the New Almeda Quicksilver Mining Company. The proceeds for the shipments of November were $4,425,000.

The deposits in the mint for November amounted to $1,250,000.

One hundred and seventy whalers had arrived at Honolulu, with an average catch of six hundred and twelve barrels of oil.

The frigate *Saranac* was at Guaymas, and the sloop-of-war *Vandalia* was at San Francisco, last from the Feejee Islands.

The dates from Mexico are to the 12th inst. Vera Cruz was quiet. A decree had been issued by the Commander directing the citizens to arm themselves so as to be prepared to meet any attack.

ALVAREZ was near Aquilla urging on operations energetically.

Additional by the Overland Mail.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The California papers by the Overland Mail furnish a few additional items of news.

The Pitt River Indians have massacred several whites.

The mines in Southern Oregon are yielding largely, and new discoveries were being made.

Tidings of the overdue steamer *Columbia* had been received. She put into Umpqua Straits in consequence of stress of weather.

General HARNEY had revoked the order forbidding settlers from locating in the Walla Walla country.

The treaty between the United States and the Nisqually Indians establishes perpetual peace, provides for reciprocal assistance in the event of war with other parties, and agrees that all future misunderstandings shall be settled by the respective chiefs in friendly council.

Direct trade has been opened between Puget Sound and China.

The passengers by the mail report a severe shock of earthquake between San Francisco and San José.

The roads were in bad order in consequence of heavy rains, and there was more or less snow from Apache cañon to the Missouri.

One severe sand storm was encountered on the Colorado River.

The names of the men murdered at Dragoon Station some time since, were W. H. CUNNINGHAM, JAMES BURR and WM. LANG. The survivor, Mr. ST. JOHN, of New-York, was recovering. Diligent search was made for the murderers.

A company of troops *en route* from Tucson to Fort Buchanan suffered severely from cold.

The Apache Indians had threatened to attack Tucson, but were only deterred by the presence of Americans.

The band under MAGNUS COLORADO had gone to Sonora on a thieving expedition.

The accounts from the Gila River mines are very favorable.

The Hon. Daniel E. Sickles in reply to Dr. Tucker.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

SIR: I observe in the journals of this morning a communication from Dr. J. C. TUCKER addressed to me. I have no acquaintance with this person, and he has no right to claim any notice from me; first, because he has never received an injury at my hands, and secondly, because he has chosen a mode of communicating a challenge—through a newspaper—never employed by gentlemen. While he was represented by Dr. L. W. OGDEN, my respect for that gentleman induced me to confer with him through my friend S. F. BUTTERWORTH, Esq., until the correspondence was abruptly and unexpectedly terminated, on the 9th instant, with the inquiry, propounded on my part, for some information enabling me to know from Dr. TUCKER of what he complained.

It is true, however, that I have a controversy with GIDEON J. TUCKER, Secretary of State. From this issue I shall not allow myself to be diverted, or him to be rescued, by any other member of his family. With them I have nothing to do, for I am not aware that I have ever known or spoken of any of his kindred. But I have, in three public addresses, recently delivered, and all of which were accurately reported in the journals of the day, deemed it my duty to impeach the personal and official conduct of GIDEON J. TUCKER, Secretary of State, by charges affecting his integrity and honor. For the truth of these I am amenable to him; and although I am not a belligerent man, yet whenever he desires to hold me responsible for what I have deliberately said of him, he may be assured of a courteous, if not a cordial welcome from Your most obd't servant,

D. E. SICKLES.

Custom-house Appointments by the President.

Collectors—James E. Gibble, District of Beaufort, N. C., reappointed; James T. Miller, District of Wilmington, N. C., reappointed; Horace Moody, District of Oswegatchie, N. Y., reappointed; Francis W. Latham, District of Brazos de Santiago, Texas, *vice* K. L. Haralson, deceased; George W. Clason, District of Milwaukee, Wis., *vice* Moritz Schoeffler, removed; Isaac S. Jennings, District of Little Egg Harbor, N. J., *vice* Stephen Willits, removed; Samuel J. Jones, of Kansas, District of Paso del Norte, New-Mexico, *vice* Caleb Sherman, whose commission expired.

Naval Officer—John Laurens, district of Charleston, South Carolina, *vice* Henry M. Howard, deceased.

Surveyors—David S. Ruddock, New-London, Conn., reappointed; Wm. Stotts, Keokuk, Iowa, reappointed; Levi L. Lightner, Cairo, Ill., *vice* John S. Hacker, whose commission expired; Hiram R. Nixon, Wilmington, N. C., *vice* William B. Flanner, resigned.

MINIE RIFLES IN INDIAN WARFARE.—Mr. KENDELL writes from Texas to the New-Orleans *Picayune*: "In one of LINDSAY's recent scouts against the Navajos, one of the latter was killed at the distance of four hundred yards, and another wounded. If we can outreach them in this way, it is a great point gained; for the Indian is notoriously too prudent of his blood to fight long at a disadvantage. The weapon that he possesses is effective over sixty or seventy yards, and when he finds himself struck down at five or six times that distance, his discretion will soon overcome his valor."

KANSAS AFFAIRS.

The Weather—Sleighing, and how it was Improved—Pecuniary Difficulties—Political Feeling—Miscellaneous.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

LAWRENCE, Monday, Dec. 13, 1858.

For just one week past we have had as good sleighing as three or four inches of snow could possibly make in any country, and never was it better improved than by the denizens of Lawrence. The old men—the "conservatives"—everybody, seemed to have changed to what is best known as the "*fast* boys," and from morning to evening scores of horses, ponies, oxen, anything that could generate locomotion, might be seen hitched to skeleton sleds, bob sleds, pungs, jumpers, crockery crates, old boxes of every dimension, supported by two skates, and driven by a single specimen of said "boys," going up and down our streets, some faster, some slower, loaded with "the ladies of Lawrence"—the merry bells ringing, the boys shouting, the girls laughing, the street-walkers running for dear life, often to escape a collision, and semi-often a sled collapsing, freight and all, into a mass of animate and inanimate disappointment. Yes, a whole week of such rare experience is just over, and how many times has it been remarked by a "spectator" to all this, that, had it not been for this sudden snow-fall, what a vast field of sled-invention would have been forever lost to the world. Nothing but stern necessity could ever have developed such powers or such sleds. During the week the thermometer has ranged at sunrise from 20° above to 3° below zero. But yesterday that mischievous south wind paid us a visit, and the snow has vanished, while full three inches of mud succeeds it.

Thus far, since the settlement of Kansas, there have been no two seasons alike in their character—consequently, every one feels a degree of insecurity as to what the future will bring forth. No one attempts to predict whether we are to have it too cold or too hot, too windy or too dry, for our next change. This is by no means peculiar to Kansas, but it applies to the whole West. To this same cause is due the fact, that nearly one half of the potato crop in Kansas is frozen, and probably ruined before digging was possible, owing to the abundant rains in October and November. As quick as the rain ceased it began to freeze, so there was no possible way to save whatever was in the ground. This will be a serious loss to thousands of our honest laborers, who are compelled to subsist upon the products of their own farms, and will not see a pound of flour, or rice, sugar, tea or coffee, or anything of the kind for the next nine months. Let it not be understood that they are starving; it may be a question whether it is proper to say they will *suffer*, but their regimen must be reduced to that low standard long since established by all pioneer settlements. Money they have long been without, and hundreds are paying five per cent. per month for the money they have already hired for preempting. Such is a partial sketch of our people to-day, excepting those in the large towns, who manage generally to get in some slight degree *above* such rural simplicity. It is no wonder then, that thus situated, without a dollar for traveling expenses, our people should become indifferent somewhat to political conventions, monthly elections, or the schemes and harangues of demagogues. Above all things, they wish to be let alone and left to enjoy that freedom they now prize so dearly.

Notwithstanding all this embarrassment, it is as true to-day as it ever was that a large majority believe their just rights will never be fully secured until we become a sovereign State, a member of the Federal family, and not a slave of Federal tyranny, such as our past experience has made us. Popular sovereignty has no more indigenous soil on earth than in this Territory. Let Congress attempt to fetter us with a slave code, and our martyr-graves will cry out for vengeance, until no other sovereignty but that of *the people* will dare plant a banner within our domain. We are now at peace, and it is devoutly hoped our armistice will be permanent. The feud in Linn and Bourbon counties is once more healed, and in such a manner as will show to the world that *the wrong* has been on one side and *the right* on the other, and not, as many have interpreted it, that both parties have been about equally at fault.

On the 6th inst., a large mass meeting of the citizens of Linn County was held at Mound City, at which a platform was adopted quite unanimously, that was regarded as an amnesty for the past and an ægis for the future. It provides that no Free-State man shall hereafter be indicted or arrested for any offences they may be charged with growing out of the political difficulties that have existed in that county the last two years; that no sheriff, Federal officer, or the Federal Army, shall be permitted to make arrests on such charges in that county; that no Pro-Slavery man who has been known to be active in the outrages committed against the actual settlers in times past, shall ever be permitted to become a citizen of that county again, while wood grows and water runs, but that under all circumstances they advise to forbearance and mercy, where it can possibly apply. Under this agreement they once more lay down their arms and retire to their several firesides. In a few days I will send you a copy of their platform, that will speak for itself. The above is only imperfectly sketched from memory.

Now it will be readily seen that the late difficulties have all arisen in consequence of the violation of a former amnesty, by the Pro-Slavery men or their associates, in attempting to find bills against, and make arrests of the Free-State men, headed by MONTGOMERY. Now that compact is restored, all will go on as before, and we hope to hear no more of their dissensions that will be worthy of a correspondent's ink and paper.

Our business circles, for the first time in sixteen months, are beginning to show symptoms of convalescence. They are like the struggling agonies of a reviving person who has fainted before consciousness can direct his random throes. There is a little bracing up here and there; light—a *golden* light—weaves her curtain along the Western horizon, as well as the Eastern, for *day* is near. We have borne our bitter lot with patience, and none better deserve the brighter scenes that now promise so surely to greet us the coming year. A little pamphlet, giving the most accurate and reliable information to all who seek light from the gold regions, is forthcoming, and will be ready for general circulation in less than two weeks. It will contain forty-eight pages, and is written by WM. B. PARSONS, Esq., who has already given the public many valuable letters, descriptive of his journey last Summer among the mountains. Our business men are preparing for an immense trade in the Spring at this place, and every facility will be offered here for out fitting parties that can be found in the West. The Eldridge House, the largest hotel west of St. Louis, and equal to any in that city, will be opened for the public in a few days.

RANDOLPH.

The Law and the Slave-traders.

From the Washington Union, Dec. 23.

As a mere question of philanthropy to the negro, the persons who have recently brought a cargo of Africans from the coast of Guinea and landed them in Georgia, may have done a beneficial work. But, aside from that isolated feature of the transaction, we cannot perceive a single circumstance to relieve the moral turpitude of the crime. The law of the country has been deliberately violated, and an act of piracy committed as sordid and as wanton as ever disgraced the times of the buccaneers. Why have gibbering negroes, little more elevated in intelligence than so many monkeys, been brought from their native and congenial wilds to be thrust upon our soil? Simply for their *money value*. It is not pretended that any advantage can inure to this continent, its people or its institutions, except the mere pecuniary advantage that may result from a larger supply of labor. It cannot be denied that any but moral injury to society can come of these importations. The laws of the country have been broken, the public sentiment of the whole country offended, piracy committed, and guilt deliberately incurred, solely for sordid gain. For the benefit of the pocket the sanctity of the law has been invaded. Entrenched securely behind the law, the South has successfully defended her constitutional rights against the assaults of her enemies for a quarter of a century; but now some of her own people are willing to turn upon and batter down that hitherto sacred and impregnable rampart. Heretofore the pride of the South has been that her cause was the cause of the Constitution and the laws; but now some of her own people endeavor wantonly to abrogate and set aside those instruments. At last, among her own citizens, there is a division of counsels between the *utile* and the *honestum*; there are those willing to seek only what is expedient and profitable at the expense of what is lawful and what is honest. Has the South turned Jew? Is gain, is the almighty dollar, to be henceforth the god of the Cavalier?

It seems to us that one of the most important questions ever presented for the decision of the Southern people is now before them, in the case of the piratical persons who have just succeeded in landing a cargo of miserable Africans on her coast, and sold them for money in violation of the law. It is a question whether the public sentiment of the South will permit the laws and Constitution of the country to be violated with impunity. It is a question whether a local prejudice or fanaticism will be allowed, as it has done so often in Boston and Cincinnati, to override the law and the courts of justice. It is a question whether, for sordid gain or any sort of pecuniary advantage, the South will consent to permit the Constitution, her palladium, to be trampled under foot. What are a few frightened, frail and chattering Africans to the value of law upheld in its integrity, and reverenced, respected and obeyed by a patriotic people?

The Dallas (Texas) *Herald* publishes a letter from Paris, announcing that the famous forger, Alfred Wilson *alias* Alfred Merchant, has been arrested at Paris. He was arrested by Mr. Ryan and Dr. Stewart on the evening of Nov. 25, was brought to trial and committed to jail, in default of bail to the amount of $1,000.

The Cangemi Case—Suggestions in Vindication of the Jury.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It is understood that the prisoner CANGEMI will be brought before the Judges of the General Term for sentence, at an adjourned Court to be held next week. Some censures have been pronounced upon the Jury in some of the City papers, which seemed to me entirely undeserved, and unwarranted by the facts. The usual form of the criticism is this: "Either CANGEMI killed ANDERSON or he did not. If he did not, he should have been acquitted. If he did, he was guilty of murder. That he did is found by the verdict, and hence a conviction for manslaughter in the first degree is absurd."

In this postulate is contained no inconsiderable error. It does not follow by any means that because CANGEMI killed ANDERSON he was guilty of murder. On the contrary, the express language of the statute, as well as the adjudications of our Courts upon it, establish the proposition that, where the facts of a case bring it within any of the degrees of manslaughter, it cannot fall within any definition of murder. The only ground on which the prosecution could properly ask for the prisoner's conviction of the capital offence was that when he fired the fatal shot he intended to kill ANDERSON. That he did so intend might be inferred from the nature of the weapon used, and its fatal consequence, provided the Jury were clearly satisfied, beyond all reasonable doubt, that he actually harbored such an intention when he fired the pistol. If, however, after carefully considering all the facts and circumstances proved, they entertain rational doubts upon the question of *quo animo*, they were not only authorized but bound not to convict of murder.

Now, what were the undisputed facts? ANDERSON was approaching CANGEMI with his arm raised, and when within two feet of him the prisoner fired. The balls, or slugs, entered the upraised arm, and one of them passed from the arm obliquely into the throat, thereby causing death. The physician testified that the course of the wound in the arm indicated that it was elevated when the ball was received.

Considering, then, that the prisoner did not aim at a vital point; that he had no malice against ANDERSON; that he might have been overcome by a sudden and powerful impulse to escape from arrest; that he might have supposed a discharge of the pistol would disarm and disable the Policeman, and thus enable him to accomplish his object—ought not the public, in the exercise of ordinary charity, to feel that a conscientious Jury might well hesitate and doubt upon the question whether CANGEMI really intended to kill. Then, too, it was proved that soon after the prisoner's confinement in the Station-house, on being asked why he killed ANDERSON, he replied with a shrug of the shoulders, "Accident, accident, accident."

It has, however, been assumed by the critics of the newspapers that CANGEMI was actually engaged in the commission of a burglary when he killed ANDERSON, and therefore his offence was murder, although he did not intend to kill. This result would certainly follow, if the premises were true. Unfortunately for the statement, however, the prisoner, if he had committed the burglary in SAMMIS' shoe store, had left the store, and fled up Grand-street; on being alarmed by the cry of Stop thief, returned to the basement of ANGHI, presented his pistol to alarm and silence them, and then turned to flee in the opposite direction, when he came in contact with ANDERSON. If he was then actually engaged or committing the burglary, he would have been had he fled half a mile.

The learned and able Judge who presided on the trial, charged the Jury in accordance with the request of the prisoner's counsel, and manifestly according to the law of the land, that the prisoner could not be convicted upon the count which charges the killing of ANDERSON, while the prisoner was actually engaged in committing the burglary.

In view of the whole case—considering the number of times the prisoner had run the gauntlet; that, in consequence of his wonderful good fortune upon the last preceding trial in obtaining MUELLER as a juror, for which no remedy existed except the extreme one tendered by the prisoner's counsel, resulting, as it did, in a new trial—a result much better than to have proceeded with a Jury in which the public had not full confidence—to be followed, perhaps, by a disagreement or an acquittal; considering the immense and powerful efforts made to screen the prisoner entirely, and the kind of testimony upon which the prosecution was obliged to rely—the public have great reason to feel satisfied with the verdict.

It is not intended to insist that an honest and intelligent Jury might not have been warranted in drawing the conclusion that the prisoner intended to kill. All that I mean to claim is, that another jury, of equal honesty and intelligence, after having been unable, during a deliberation of forty-eight hours, to agree on a verdict of guilty of murder, are entirely free from fault because they gave to the prisoner the benefit of a doubt, and thereby spared his life.

It is quite probable that the Court will respond to the public sentiment, by sentencing the prisoner to imprisonment during the term of his natural life. In such case, the reasoning and intelligent public ought to be, and will be, satisfied. The lesson inculcated by the history of the case will be that justice, though slow, is sure, while another illustration will be afforded of the mournful truth that "the way of the transgressor is hard."

JUSTITIA.

PERSONAL.

A Paris letter to the London Court *Journal* has a bit of gossip about Mario and his female admirers: "In Paris, Mario still maintains his superiority over all his rivals, scarcely deigning to acknowledge the marked admiration of which he is the object, and, when encored, never choosing to accede to the request. The old English lady, his admirer of fifty years' standing, whose admiration is maintained by her own fading sight to the diapason of Mario's fading beauties, is always ensconced in her box, armed with the lorgnon she has made to the distance at which her box is situated from the stage, in order to take in all the perfections of which Mario is the bearer, and still cries out, to the annoyance of her neighbors, "*Oh, le bel homme!*" in spite of decency and grammar, at the end of each of his solo songs. The box once occupied by the solitary Yankee lady of large fortune, which used to be kept hermetically closed save when Mario was on the stage, is now occupied by two English heiresses, sisters, who have succeeded to the occupation of their predecessor, that of admiring and exclaiming aloud their admiration each time a note issues from the harmonious throat of the favorite.

Lieutenant-General Scott had a public reception at Charleston on Saturday, Dec. 18. Lieutenant Floyd acted as Chairman of the Reception Committee. An address was made to the General, to which he responded briefly. General Scott was the guest of the Hon. J. L. Pettigru, until his departure on the *Isabel* for Havana. During his stay, the General was shown the Eutaw flag, which he had expressed a desire to see, and after gazing at in silence for a moment, exclaimed, "That's a flag to fight under, and to die for." The delegation then bade him good night.

A Florence correspondent of the Newark *Advertiser* writes of Ex-President Pierce that, while in Florence, he happened to be lodged in the hotel demanded for the old King Frederick William, when the order came to vacate it. The extatic landlord made haste to acquaint his guests of the honor intended him, hinting alike to one and all the necessity of seeking other quarters, which hint was differently received by different temperaments, but by no one so amiably as by the Ex-President, who conceded in the blandest manner the right of an ex-king to turn him, a Democratic ex-President, out of doors.

A printing office employing only deaf and dumb compositors, has been opened in the town of Zablagen in Wurtemburg. Pressmen and compositors altogether number 160 men, all of whom are deaf-mutes. Eleven of the type-setters are women. The proprietor of the establishment, M. Theodore Heigerad, has educated the men and women for the business, at his own cost, and the King has conferred a gold medal upon him. There is at least one quiet printing office now, where there are no shouts for "copy" and no clamoring for "fat takes."

Mr. Church, the artist, will go to Europe in the Spring, in company with Palmer, the Albany sculptor. They are each engaged on great works,—Church upon his large view of South American scenery, and Palmer upon a marble statue of "The White Captive," which, it is said, will surpass any of his previous efforts.

Mr. H. B. Brown, of Portland, is engaged upon a morning view of the White Mountains from Berlin Falls. A sunset view of Clapboard Island, near Portland, he lately finished and sold to the same party who gave the commission for the work he is at present engaged on.

A New-Haven paper states that after the adjournment of the late annual meeting of the corporation of Yale College, Governor Buckingham, who is ex-officio a member of the Corporation, tendered to the Treasurer the draft on the State Treasurer for his salary as Governor, $1,100, during this year.

It is reported that the Hon. John M. Botts has received between fifty and sixty letters since the nomination of Mr. Letcher, requesting him to become a candidate for Governor, but that he positively declines.

A farewell breakfast was given in Toronto, Dec. 17, to the Reverends Dr. Evans, White, Ralson and Branning, of the Wesleyan Church, prior to their departure for Missionary service in British Columbia.

The Assembly of Harvard Law School have publicly returned thanks to the unknown donor of the sum of $8,000, for the erection of a Gymnasium for the Students of the University.

Mr. English publishes a card in relation to the Montgomery difficulty. He says he "neither seeks nor has sought any difficulty with Mr. Montgomery, and shall avoid none."

In Boston, the engravers are doing a great business in the way of portraits. New views of the faces of Emerson, Everett and Humboldt have been announced within a week, and others are to follow soon.

Miss Sterne Hotchkins has made her *début* as an actress at the New-Haven Theatre, taking the part of *Juliet* in "Bianca."

The Hon. F. K. Zollicoffer, of Tennessee, declines a renomination for Congress.

Mr. Keitt declines a re-nomination to the House of Representatives from his District in South Carolina.

Heenan, the Benecia Boy, is on his travels—last heard from at Chicago.

Julia Deane Hayne is playing in Washington.

THE BENNETT DIVORCE CASE.

SEVENTEENTH DAY—[CONCLUDED.]

Death of Judge Phelps—Sheldon's Denials—Wehner on the Stand—Mrs. Bennett is re-examined.

From Our Own Reporter.

NEW-HAVEN, Thursday, Dec. 23.

The case of Bennett *vs.* Bennett strongly resembles a case of intermittent fever. About every other day the excitement reaches a high mark. Then witnesses are spicy and keen, lawyers witty, and the spectators are all on the *qui vive.* At the intervening periods a state of affairs exactly opposite prevails. Yesterday we passed through the latter stage, but there was a better reason for it then than there has been on any previous occasion, for, as I have said, Mrs. Bennett's infant was lying at the point of death with the scarlet fever, and that lady was prevented from appearing in Court. This morning the child is better, Mrs. Bennett is again on hand, and the interest bids fair to revive. But it is perfectly astonishing to see with what *nonchalance* the Doctor reads those portions of the rebutting testimony which contradict so directly many of the statements made either by himself or by his witnesses. Not a muscle of his face moves, nor does his hair stick up any straighter. His indifference can only be accounted for in the same manner in which Gov. Baldwin explained his neglect to recognize Horace Smith, when that gentleman first made his appearance here, *i. e.*, the Doctor is *so deaf*.

Judge Charles B. Phelps, of Woodbury, died very suddenly this morning at Roxbury, while delivering an address on the occasion of laying the corner-stone of a monument to Seth Warner, a compatriot of Ethan Allen. A meeting of the Bar was held at the opening of the Court this afternoon, and after brief and appropriate addresses by the Hon. Harris B. Munson of Seymour, the Hon. Ralph J. Ingersoll, and Judge Waldo, appropriate resolutions were offered by Charles R. Ingersoll, and unanimously adopted.

After these proceedings the Court held a brief private session, to listen to testimony not fit for the public examination.

Mrs. Lucius B. Allis then took the stand, and was examined by Mr. Ingersoll.

Question.—What have you to say of Mrs. B.'s going to Stepney soon after her marriage; did she have a trunk? Answer.—She did; one which I furnished her the day she was married, when she started on her wedding trip; it was a large black trunk; she had no borrowed clothes of mine; the testimony was that she went to borrow some clothes of her sister in Birmingham, but she had no sister then living there.

Cross-examination—Q.—How far did you go with her when she started on this trip? A.—I came with her to New-Haven, and went on the *Elm City* with her; I afterwards sent to Stepney for the trunk, as the Doctor did not return it as he promised to do.

Q.—How many dresses did she have in the trunk? A.—She had a number; I cannot say how many.

Dr. Jewett was recalled, and examined by Mr. Blackman. A.—What do you suppose to be the effect of inhaling the vapors of laudanum, and what is it inhaled? A.—I said, yesterday, that the alcohol would pass off by evaporation, and the opium would not; I meant to convey the idea that where a person was subjected to the action of laudanum under these circumstances, they would suffer more from the effects of alcohol than laudanum, the alcohol being volatile, and the laudanum not; if we take a quantity of this medicine, and draw off the alcohol artificially, we can ascertain very nearly the amount of opium contained, as it will be left in the form of a sticky paste until it dries; such experiments have frequently been made; the natural inference is, that a person, under the circumstances referred to, would be more likely to be intoxicated from the effects of the alcohol than to suffer from the narcotic power of opium.

Q.—How long would a person thus affected keep drunk? [Laughter.] A.—I cannot say; some get drunk three or four times a day, and get over it as many times; others get drunk in the morning and keep so all day.

Judge Blackman—Without loading up again? [Laughter.] A.—Yes.

Q.—Would a child three or four months old affected thus remain so from nine in the morning until after dark? A.—No, Sir, I think not.

Cross-examination—Q.—Have you any experience of what would be the effect of alcohol on a child of five weeks old? A.—No; I have never seen a child of that age intoxicated.

Dr. Knight was recalled—He said that from further reflection he had been led to doubt whether the opium contained in the laudanum would produce any appreciable effects; his reasons for this belief were that laudanum is so frequently applied to a patient's chest that the narcotic effects if there were any from the inhalation would have been observed, and that the principle of opium which produces the narcotic effects is not volatile; a great many years ago he purchased a number of samples of laudanum from the shops in the city, and after evaporating, each sample from the quantity of opium left as a residuum was about the same that should have been contained in the laudanum when it was first manufactured.

The cross examination elicited nothing in addition, of interest, to that testimony given by the Doctor yesterday, excepting the opinion that the opium left after the evaporation of the laudanum, would be the more powerful as it became more paste-like in consistency, so long as it was not perfectly dry. He also said that the alcohol in the laudanum would be a longer time evaporating if the flannel on which it might be were covered. So if a child were next a person whose chest was covered with flannel, soaked with laudanum, if the person were covered by the bed clothes, the child would be more likely to be affected.

Mr. Blackman stated that they had no more witnesses at present, and asked for an adjournment until morning.

Judge WALDO said that he would feel very reluctant to subject Mrs. B. to the ordeal of passing through an examination of three or four hours duration, if her child should remain so sick as it was stated to be this morning. Further than that, private reasons would make it desirable she should be allowed to have a week at home. All such considerations, however, he would of course be willing to waive, if it was at all probable Mrs. B. would be able to proceed in the morning. Judge WALDO said it would be impossible for him to resume the hearing of the case, should it be postponed now, until a week from Monday.

After some conversation it was concluded to wait until morning before deciding on an adjournment.

THURSDAY MORNING.

W. D. Salesbury, of New-York, was sworn—He is a manufacturing jeweler at No. 16 Maiden lane.

Judge Blackman—Q.—How long have you resided in New-York? A.—Twenty-five years.

Q.—Are you connected with the Church under the care of Mr. Gillette? A.—I am and have been since he has been pastor; the Church is in Twenty-third-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues; I am a trustee and deacon; have been a deacon for six or eight years.

Q.—Are you acquainted with Mrs. Newman and her daughter Sara? A.—I am, and became acquainted with them by being associated with her husband in Church relations.

Q.—What relation did he hold? A.—That of trustee and deacon.

Q.—Have you ever visited the house occupied by Deacon Newman, his wife and Sara? A.—Very frequently, and have known Sara from childhood.

Q.—What was the character of Mr. and Mrs. Newman's house? A.—High and honorable in its standing, in moral, and I may say in religious creed.

Q.—Did you ever hear anything against that house? A.—No, Sir, till I saw it in print, to my utter surprise.

Q.—When did you first see the house aspersed in print? A.—Last Monday morning, in connection with this case.

Q.—Where are Mrs. Newman and daughter now? A.—In some one of the Western States, at Winona, in Minnesota, I think.

Q.—What was the business of Mr. and Mrs. N., so long as they resided in New-York? A.—Mr. N. kept a shoe-store and Mrs. N. assisted him; it was a ladies' shoe-store; Mr. N. two years since was very unfortunate in his affairs—so much so, that he was obliged to abandon his business; Mrs. N., high, noble-minded woman as she was, felt it incumbent upon her to do something for support of the family, she having four or five children; she took a house in Fourteenth-street, near Union-square, and took boarders and let rooms; so far as I know, the character of her boarders was good; the character of the woman was such that she would allow nothing disreputable to enter her house; she stood high in the Church when she left for the West, to which fact hundreds could testify.

Q.—What was Sara's age at the time of her leaving? A.—I should suppose she was about sixteen.

Q.—How did her character stand? A.—I have known her from the age of eight years; I have known her in the Sabbath-School as a teacher and as a scholar, and never have heard the least reproach brought upon her character; I was utterly surprised to hear it.

Cross-examination by Governor Dutton—You do not know about the character of the boarders? A.—I did not know them personally; I called upon the family on business, and do not know how the boarders supported themselves.

Henry Estwick was then examined.

Mr. Ingersoll—Where do you reside? A.—At No. 1,166 Broadway; I am sexton of the Twenty-third-street Church, and furnishing undertaker; am acquainted with Mr., Mrs. and Miss Newman; have known them eight or nine years; Mr. Newman was deacon and trustee.

Q.—Where was the communion service of that Church kept? A.—At Deacon Newman's.

Q.—Had you occasion, officially or otherwise, to visit that house? A.—Always once a month officially; have also visited it on other occasions; its character stood high, and I never heard a word against it prior to this trial; first heard of its being assailed last Monday evening.

Q.—Are you a communicant of that Church? A.—I am, and know Mrs. Newman as a communicant of that Church; she stood as high as it was possible for any lady in the Church to stand; she was very intelligent, and a worthy Christian, I believe.

Q.—Did you know Sara? A.—I did; her character stood very good, and I never heard the least thing against her.

Q.—How often did you visit the house aside from going there for the communion service? A.—Once, twice, or three times a month; they kept boarders because they were unfortunate in business; I never heard a word against the inmates of that house.

Cross-examination by Gov. Dutton—Do you know whether the boarders were chiefly males or females? A.—Do not; simply saw the family when I called.

Mr. R. K. Wehner was called. [Mr. Ingersoll said he had always spelled the name *Wayner*, like the greatest man John Randolph said he ever knew, who spelled Congress with a K. Mrs. Bennett here entered Court.]

Mr. Ingersoll examined the witness.

Q.—Where do you reside? A.—At No. 75 York-street, and my business is that of a music teacher.

[Considerable time was here consumed in comparing the notes of that part of the testimony in which the statement was made that Mrs. B. went riding with Wehner for some two hours after Sunday service.]

Q.—Did you ever, on Sunday, drive out in a carriage alone with Mrs. B.? A.—No, Sir; never.

Q.—Did you ever, on any other day? A.—No, Sir; on no day.

Q.—Ever with the Doctor and Mrs. B.? A.—I have; but never with Mrs. B. alone, nor with Mrs. B. and the children alone, nor with Mrs. B. and the children and the driver. [Laughter.]

Q.—With neither of the children? A.—No, Sir.

Q.—Were you ever an organist in the city? A.—I was an organist in the South Church.

Q.—Do you know of any church in the city where the communion is in the afternoon? A.—No.

Q.—Do you remember when you were sick Dr. and Mrs. B. calling on you? A.—Yes; out at the farm in Orange but never in York-street.

Q.—Did Mrs. B. salute you by kisses on that occasion? A.—She did once.

Q.—Was Dr. B. present? A.—He was.

Q.—Were you afterwards taken to Dr. B.'s house? A.—It was before this that I was taken there.

Q.—Who took you there? A.—Doctor himself, and I remained there, I think, three days.

Q.—What physician did you have? A.—None but the Doctor himself at first.

Q.—How did your disorder progress under his treatment? A.—It got so that I thought I had better have a regular physician. [Laughter.]

Q.—Did you think Dr. B. was a regular physician at first? A.—I did.

Q.—Were you very sick at that time? A.—I was, and was then removed to a a farm at Orange which belonged to Mr. Stoeckel.

Mr. Ingersoll—If the lady kissed you on another occasion, state when it was and who was present?

Mr. Wehner—Once, after finishing a lesson, I played for the Doctor and Mrs. B.; I found that after I got through, or nearly through, Mrs. B. came and kissed me: I felt rather embarrassed—I did, [laughter;] Mrs. B. must have noticed it, and she came and made apologies; she said the Doctor was so pleased with my playing that he asked her to do it.

Q.—Did the Doctor take any exception to it at all? A.—Not at all.

Q.—Did you ever see any conduct on her part inconsistent with that of a virtuous woman? A.—Never.

Q.—Did the Doctor frequently invite you to visit his home? A.—Very frequently—more so than I liked.

Q.—Has the Doctor ever brought you home Sundays to tea? A.—Very frequently.

Q.—Did he ever invite you to go a journey with him to the Falls? A.—He did; I did not understand Mrs. B. was going along.

Q.—There was a witness who testified here that when you were there, and the Doctor was present, you played the piano like "sixty," but that when he was away you stopped? A.—It was never my intention to do so, and I never did it.

Q.—Do you remember of ever being at a concert with Doctor and Mrs. B., and the Doctor going off to the register to warm himself, leaving you with Mrs. B.? A.—Yes; Dr. B., Mrs. B. and I entered the hall together, though we did not start together; the Doctor asked me to take a seat with them; he felt cold and went to the register; I remained on my seat near Mrs. B.; I did not accompany them home, nor did Doctor ask me to.

Q.—Did you ever accompany Mrs. B. to see her children at Mrs. Blakeslee's? A.—I do not remember it.

Q.—Did you once when at Mrs. Gilbert's accompany Mrs. B. home in the evening? A.—Once when there Doctor asked me to accompany Mrs. B. home.

Q.—Your daguerreotype—was it given to Doctor or Mrs. B? A.—To the Doctor.

Q.—A witness has testified here who said that you said when you were sick that if you died, you wished Mrs. B. to hold you in her arms? A.—I never said so.

Q.—Did the Doctor take you up to her room when she was sick? A.—He did; I remained there a very short time.

Q.—Did he leave you there alone? A.—Yes; he was called down to company and left me there.

Q.—Did he ask you to remain till he should come back? A.—He did, and I remained until he returned.

[The "stud" story was here referred to.]

Q.—Did you ever say, on any occasion, that Mrs. B.'s bosom was not proportioned to her form? A.—I never did.

Q.—Had you any match to Mrs. B.'s stud? A.—I know nothing more than that I got a pair of studs from Mr. and Mrs. B.; whether Mrs. B. had any like them I do not know.

Q.—Who handed them to you? A.—They were handed to me by somebody, I do not remember who, in the presence of Dr. and Mrs. Bennett.

Q.—Something has been said of Mrs. Bennett's temper—did you ever see anything of it? A.—No.

Q.—Have you ever known the Doctor to swear at his wife when you were present? A.—I have; he very often invited me to meals, and frequently when we got there and they were not prepared, he would express himself in that way; he would say "Damn it," or something of that kind.

Q.—Do you know whether Mrs. Bennett expected it? A.—Frequently I was asked without previous notice.

Q.—Did you ever see the lady in tears when the Doctor was talking to her? A.—One time.

Q.—What was he saying? A.—I would have to describe the whole matter; it had something to do with deeds.

[The Court ruled that this was bordering on direct examination, and that it was out of order.]

Cross-examined by Gov. Dutton.—Q.—Did you ever ride from the South Church in the Doctor's carriage? A.—Yes, very frequently, but always with Doctor—

Q.—Stop. Who came after you?—did the Doctor have some one with him? A.—Mrs. Bennett was with him.

Q.—What is there to make you remember you never rode from there with Mrs. Bennett? A.—I never rode without the Doctor.

Q.—What is it makes you certain of this? A.—I know I never did, but cannot say whether I ever thought of it at the time or not.

Q.—Did you never take her at Dr. Bennett's when you were taken there after church? A.—I did very frequently; Doctor and I were very intimate.

Q.—How long did you give lessons to Mrs. Bennett? A.—A quarter and a half or two quarters.

Q.—How often do you give lessons? A.—Twice a week.

Q.—Did you never stay longer than an hour? A.—Yes, sometimes two hours.

Q.—Was the Doctor always by? A.—Generally.

Q.—Did you not often stop to talk about the tunes? A.—The tunes were not of so high a class as to require much talk about them.

Q.—Had she learned many tunes when you stopped? A.—No. Dr. Bennett interfered with her progress by locking up the piano, and there was no fire sometimes.

Q.—How did you know that? A.—Mrs. Bennett said Doctor locked the piano.

Q.—How about her kissing you—did that trouble you? A.—No, it did not.

Q.—Why did it embarrass you? A.—It was done so suddenly.

Q.—How did you know it was done at the Doctor's request? A.—Mrs. B. said it was.

Q.—Did she say it in a loud tone of voice so that he could hear it? A.—She did, in a very loud tone.

[Witness' sickness, and the manner in which Mrs. B. treated him while at the Doctor's house was gone into.]

Q.—Did you not become attached to Mrs. B. while sick there? A.—I felt grateful, that was all.

Q.—Were you not so sick sometimes as to be insensible? A.—I was, part of the time.

Q.—You cannot say what took place then? A.—No.

Q.—Why did you want to be removed from Mrs. Bennett's? A.—Because Dr. B. kept giving me all kinds of medicine, [laughter,] and I was all the time getting worse. [Excessive merriment.]

Q.—Was Mrs. Bennett very attentive to you? A.—No.

Q.—Did she come to see you every day? A.—Yes.

Q.—When Mrs. Bennett came and kissed you at Stoeckel's, are you sure the Doctor was in the room? A.—I am sure of it.

Q.—How about the concert? Did he invite you to go with them? A.—The Doctor never invited me to go with them; he met me in Chapel-street and asked me to go in with them; I had previously procured a ticket.

Q.—How about the daguerreotype? A.—I gave him a daguerreotype before he went to Cuba; I had it taken and showed it to him; he asked for it, and I gave it him, in the presence of his father.

Q.—When did you see it next? A.—After they came back from Cuba; I heard it was lost, and asked for it, as I did not think it was just the way to treat my daguerreotype, and it was handed to me; I saw it the first time on the table, and next in Mrs. Bennett's hands.

Witness also stated that when the Doctor was going to Cuba he asked him to get him some cigars, and when they returned the Doctor said he had not got them, but that they had bought another present, and the studs were given him; he did not know whether Mrs. Bennett had any like them; he never saw any on her person.

Q.—Did you ever have Mrs. Bennett's daguerreotype? A.—I once asked her to let me take it to show to my sister as a sample of daguerreotypes, and I did so; it was taken at Monthrop's; I returned it the next time I gave a lesson there, and did not wait to do so until I asked for my own to be given back.

Q.—Did you ever express any love for Mrs. B., or say anything about your being married? A.—Never; I never took the liberty to say such things to any one but my wife. [Laughter.]

Q.—Did you ever say anything to Mrs. Harter of Mrs. B.? A.—I never did, as I had no confidence in her.

Q.—Did you ever advise Miss Harter not to visit Mrs. Bennett? A.—Never.

Q.—Did you ever dedicate any music to Mrs. B.? A.—Never.

Q.—Did you ever say anything to her of a "Blue Violet" piece? A.—No; I never had any such piece.

Judge Blackman—Did the Doctor ever refuse to incur the expenses of having the piano tuned. [Objected to and ruled out.]

Q.—Did Mrs. B. ever come out to the country seat of Mrs. Stoeckel? A.—Not that I know of.

Q.—Have you ever been consulted by Dr. B.'s agents or counsel with reference to giving testimony here? A.—I have, by Mr. Watrous.

Judge Blackman (looking at Mr. Watrous with a surprised air)—By Mr. Watrous?

Mr. Watrous—I had no idea he was your witness at that time.

Mr. Blackman—You dropped him, I suppose, like a hot brick. [Laughter.]

Mr. Blackman here called for Scipio Devonshire.

Mr. Watson said they had received a telegraphic dispatch saying Scipio would be here on the first train this morning, but they had not yet seen anything of him.

Mrs. Rebecca Ross, sworn—I reside in New-York, and was [illegible] Dr. B.'s [illegible] in Dixwell-street, also when I lived in George-street.

Q.—What was Dr. B.'s conduct at that time to his wife? [Objected to.]

Mr. Blackman said he proposed by this witness to prove that Dr. B. was in the daily habit of using profane language toward his wife.

The Court thought the testimony was not allowable, as it was not to rebut the denial of specific acts.

Mr. B. offered then to prove that the Doctor did not keep her wardrobe well supplied. [Ruled out on the same grounds.]

Dr. Bennett, said Mr. Blackman, has denied ever having used a poker in threatening Mrs. Bennett. [Ruled out as before.]

Mr. Blackman—We now propose to prove that the Doctor for the purpose of tormenting Mrs. B. locked up the piano. [Ruled out.]

Mr. Blackman—I now propose to prove Dr. B. educated his daughters to swear. [Ruled out.]

Mr. Blackman—Your Honor will excuse me for acting on suggestions from my client, as my own forgetfulness has caused me to pass over one or two matters. Dr. Bennett has stated in his direct examination that he brought up his children. I do not know but what he said—he would if he had thought of it—in the ways of righteousness. We offer this testimony as rebutting this statement.

The Court—This question cannot be put until you have asked the Doctor whether he made the statement or not.

Q.—Did you ever have any conversation with Sarah Rue about the power of herbs to procure abortion? A.—I remember no such conversation.

Q.—Mrs. Rue testified that Mrs. Bennett said in her presence, "The old devil, I wish he were dead." Do you remember any such occurrence? A.—I do not.

Q.—While there did you ever hear her make use of bad language or see her in bad temper? A.—I never heard her make use of bad language.

The cross-examination failed to elicit anything important. Mr. Sheldon, she said, paid her expenses up. The first she knew of Mrs. Rue's testimony was from the lady she lived with.

Mr. Blackman said they had been expecting a witness from New-York who had not yet arrived.

Mr. Ingersoll said the witness referred to was Mr. Gillette, but the parishioners of that gentleman had beset him, and said it was beneath his dignity to notice a slander of this kind, and they had succeeded in detaining him, very unwisely, as he (Mr. I.) thought. They would use every endeavor to procure Mr. Gillette's testimony.

MRS. BENNETT RE-EXAMINED.

Mrs. Bennett was again called, but was permitted to retain the seat she has heretofore occupied at the side of Judge Blackman.

Judge B. conducted the examination.—Q.—I would refer to the testimony of Scipo Devonshire, when he says yourself and Mr. Smith rode over to Saltonstall Lake with the children, and that you then went into the woods with Mr. Smith? A.—I never went there except once with the Doctor, Mr. Robinson, a student in Yale College, Miss Smith, a daughter of Deacon Smith, City missionary, and my daughter; we got out of the carriage, and all of us went into the woods; we took some sheets of music with us, such as "Home Again," "Home, Sweet Home," "Annie Laurie," and several others I do not remember; we went into the woods to sing them, and sat on some logs and sang them.

Q.—Who drove there? A.—Scipio drove; it was in the Summer of '55; we were gone probably an hour and a half or two hours; we strolled all over the woods in search of wintergreen; one thing which makes me remember was, that we had to cross a brook where we had to take hold of both hands of the gentlemen in order to get across; we laid our parasols down, and when we all got over, the parasols, we found, were on the other side; a farmer's wagon drove along and picked up the parasols; Doctor made Scipio unharness one of the horses and ride him bareback to overtake the farmer; he did so, and found the farmer's wife had one open and up over her head; Scipio told us this when he returned.

Q.—Did you ever go with Scipio to ride with Horace Smith? A.—Never with him, nor with any one else, unless my husband was with me.

Q.—Phœbe Williams has testified that on one occasion, after you had taken a long walk with the Rev. Mr. Gillette, he returned with you, took off your gaiters, put your feet on a chair, and, leaning on your shoulder, remarked when it was a woman appeared the best? A.—Mr. Gillette went with Mrs. Newman, Miss Newman and myself to Bergen Hill, to call on Mr. Smith and his sister; it was on that occasion, and on our return from the anniversary, as stated by Phœbe Williams, we walked from the residence of Mr. Smith to the Ferry, in Hoboken, about a mile; during the walk Mr. Smith gave Sara Newman his college badge to pin her shawl, as the wind was blowing very hard; after we crossed the ferry we walked to Union-square; Mrs. Newman lived between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, the next block below Union-square; we reached home, and were, of course, very tired; Sara Newman and myself were seated in large, easy chairs; I never thought of it from that day to this, and I never should have thought of it had not Mr. Dutton spoke of it; Mr. Gillette took the old-fashioned low ottomans and drew one in front of me and one in front of Miss Newman; *he did not take off my gaiters* or Miss Newman's gaiters; he took hold of my feet and also of Miss Newman's and raised them to the ottomans and said, "I know how to fix the tired ones;" that is the whole of that transaction; my aunt Newman was in and out of the parlor during the whole time, overseeing the arrangement of the tea-table in the back parlor; *Mr. Gillette did not fan me, nor was my head on his shoulder nor his arm around my person* or around the back of my chair; he did not touch my clothes in any *possible manner*, [very emphatically,] nor was there any conversation at any time of how a lady looked the most interesting; no gentleman ever expressed any such opinion with regard to ladies in my presence.

Judge Blackman—Now testify with reference to the exhibition of studs in your parlor to any students or number of persons. A.—Phœbe Williams says she worked button-holes for studs in my garments; she never did so in her life; she could not do the plainest sewing decently; she never placed a stitch in any garment I ever wore or expect to wear; and with regard to studs, I never had but one, and that was never exhibited to any gentleman on any occasion; never unless Dr. B. himself saw it; with regard to unbuttoning, or unhooking, or unfastening my dress in any possible manner before any gentleman, that is equally false; furthermore, there never was any student or students called to see me who were not invited by my husband, with the exception of Mr. Beck; the way he came to go there uninvited was, the Doctor called at the residence of Mrs. Quinn one evening when Mr. Beck was there; I introduced him to my husband, and he became so intimate with him that he used to go to his room before breakfast and bring him home with him; when we were at the Tontine he brought Mr. Beck into the parlor one evening, (he was then boarding at the New-Haven Hotel,) and said, "Beck, take your boots and come down to the Tontine," and the next morning Mr. Beck did come to the Tontine to breakfast; while we were at the Tontine Miss Sellidge and Mr. Dechaudens, a Frenchman, who was visiting Miss S. at the time, and Mr. Beck and Miss Mandeville, who had made arrangements to visit West Rock—they were going in a public carriage—invited me to accompany them; I asked my husband's permission, and he said I could go, and I went; Miss Sellidge wished the carriage to call for me first at the Tontine, then to drive with me and Mr. Beck to her residence, 65 George-st.; I refused, saying I did not like to be seen riding alone with a student, so the carriage called for them first, and then for me; while we were going up the rock,—Mr. Dechaudens waiting on Miss Sellidge, and Mr. Beck on Miss Mandeville and myself—Mr. Beck offered his cane which had a hook on it first to one and then to the other, he having hold of one end; I got very tired and sat down on a rock near the Judge's cave; Mr. Beck came and sat down near me and said something to me I did not like, which I thought was disrespectful, and I was indignant—I cannot recall what the subject was—I remember it was something he had no business to say to a married lady; I told him I would tell my husband; he laughed very derisively, and said, "Madame, your husband's a coward, he wouldn't dare do anything if you did—if your husband was any protection to you you would'nt be exposed to these insults;" I said, "If my husband can't protect me I have other friends who can, and if you ever show yourself at the Tontine I assure you that you will be put out;" he never came there again while we were there; I told my husband of this transaction, and that is the way it has come out to the public; [Gov. D. objected to the last clause;] I may have told Mrs. McCarthy of this—I will not say I have not—but I told my husband first, and I never told it any way different from what I have here stated; I *know* I never at any time told it to Mrs. Sanford, (formerly Miss Harter;) I know this from this circumstance: Miss Harter made propositions to me unworthy of herself long before this, and destroyed my confidence in her; I was extremely cautious after those propositions what I ever said; I was afraid of her; shall I tell what those propositions were?

Mr. Ingersoll—No, not unless the gentlemen want it.

Mr. Watrous—No matter.

The Court—If the witness is through with this incident, we will take a recess at this point until 2 o'clock. The Court then adjourned.

History of Dr. Bennett, his Family, and Pills—Illness of Mrs. Bennett's Child, &c.

There is naturally a strong desire to know something of Dr. BENNETT's antecedents and history. Fortunately I have succeeded in getting hold of documents,—the source of which vouches for their authenticity,—which give as full information on this subject as could be desired, as they bear marks as having emanated from the Doctor's own mind and pen. These documents, or rather this document, as it should be termed, is a five-paged sheet, twelve inches by eight perhaps.

Its purpose is well set forth in the prefatory remarks which are signed by his "managers," the Rev Wm. Wood and Charles R. Greene. Their statement is as follows—I give the extracts *verbatim et literatim*: "We, the undersigned, having been appointed by Dr. Bennett, of London, as managers for the purpose of placing within the reach of the American public a very valuable medicine, called the Plant and Root Pills, thinking it advisable, we have laid before you the manner in which this most charming medicine was first brought into use, also a short history of Dr. Bennett's family."

The circular proper then proceeds as follows: "The above plate [a rough wood-cut at the head of the sheet, with 'Health and Happiness' beneath it] represents *Dr. Bennett and his wife, together with their twelve blooming, healthy and interesting children*, the Doctor and his wife each having a child in their arms." After some remarks on the unfailing efficacy of Dr. B.'s pills in producing "blooming health and beauty," the paper says: "It has often been remarked by many how healthy and well Dr. Bennett's family look. There is a cause for it. His wife before her was surprised to find that a few doses restored her to perfect health, which she has always enjoyed up to the present time, and she has made it a practice to use them occasionally when in health, especially after having taken cold. And now we behold her in excellent health, and the *mother of twelve blooming, healthy and happy children.*" * * * * * "Never has he [the Doctor] known an instance, where they have been thoroughly used, to fail in restoring health to the sick. So thoroughly and surely will they relieve you of all pain, sickness, and distress, and so much confidence has he in their healing art, that should any purchase them and not feel satisfied, *they may return them*, and the proprietor holds himself responsible to return the money paid for them, in all cases where they do not give universal satisfaction. We have thus laid them at your hands not for our gain; if so, *we should have put only twenty-five, instead of forty pills*, in a box. Therefore it is to your profit—to your health and to your gain." So much for the pills. Now for "A short history of Dr. Bennett's father; also, showing how this wonderful medicine was brought into use." "The old gentleman, who is on a visit, having a Bible in his hand, as you see in the above plate, [the wood-cut referred to,] is a perfect likeness of the father of the celebrated Dr. Bennett. You would not take him to be over sixty or sixty-five years of age. But you will be surprised when told that this fine-looking old gentleman was ninety-five years old the 20th of November, 1847. * * * * He is an extremely rich man, having an income of about $500,000 annually, and the owner of a number of fine elegant ships, which sail in different directions to every part of the world. A number of years ago this good old man was very sick. He had eight of the most celebrated doctors to attend him both day and night; with all their skill the good and pious gentleman grew worse and worse. Finally they gave him up, saying it was impossible to cure him, and he would soon die. The next day, about nine o'clock in the morning, he called his wife to his bedside, saying, 'How painful it is to die without seeing my son, our only child. Though I have spent large amounts of money to have him educated for a Doctor; after which, to have him thoroughly understand the way to cure diseases, I permitted him to travel in far distant lands, among the savage and Indian tribes, as then he could learn their successful manner in curing diseases, in nature's way, from plants and roots. The thought of my encouraging him to go as I am about to die grieves me much. But tell my son when he arrives that I have left his kind mother one million of dollars, also for him two millions, together with all my vessels, and tell him always to remember the poor.' Here he stopped, being in great distress; in a few minutes his pains ceased, after which he took a short nap, being the first to any amount for several days; in the afternoon he was taken *with shortness of breath*, and supposed to be dying. The neighbors were sent for; the room was soon filled, and many prayers were offered up from the very heart by those dear Christian people that in some way relief might be obtained for this good and pious man's recovery. While these prayers were ascending like sweet incense to the Throne above, and every eye was bathed in tears, a rumbling noise was heard in the distance like a mighty chariot winding its way with great speed nearer and nearer, when all at once a fine span of horses before a beautiful coach stood before the door, out of which alighted a noble and elegant-looking man. In a moment's time he entered the room and embraced the hand of his dear father and mother. She clasped her arms around his neck and fainted away. The Doctor, surprised to see his father so nearly gone, immediately went to his coach, taking therefrom various plants and roots, which he had learned from the red men of the forest as being good for all diseases, and immediately compounded them together and gave them to his father. In about two hours afterwards he was very much relieved. He gave him small doses every three or four hours, just to keep his bowels regular, and have them cleanse and purify his blood. Two days after he was much better, and the *third* day he could walk about the room. He has occasionally taken them ever since, and now we behold him a strong, active man, and in the bloom of health, and at the age of ninety-five, able to ride in one day thirty-five miles in order to spend his birth-day with this celebrated Doctor, his son."

"The above *astonishing cure* was sounded in every ear and reëchoed throughout the land as a most wonderful cure. Many persons afflicted with various diseases immediately applied for the pills. So powerful in strengthening, and so wonderfully did they cure them of all their diseases, and so great was the call for the pills, both far and near, that it was impossible for the Doctor alone to make them fast enough, as there was not a moment through the day but there was, to say the least, eight or ten, sometimes upward of thirty, to the office at a time to get these pills. So sure were they to relieve the sick, and with so much success did they cure all manner of diseases, that he entirely laid aside his former way of practising, and prescribed them for every complaint."

The circular proceeds to set forth the Doctor's theory of medicine, and the virtues of the pills. The theory is that all "diseases spring from one source, namely, impurity of the blood;" and then comes the sensation heading: "Why will you delay—Silence that dreadful Cough, Influenza and Common Cold—Great Female Medicine—The Bowels and their Functions—Giddiness, Headache and Inflammation of the Eyes—Disease of the Stomach—Rheumatism—Worms—Disease of the Liver—Fevers—Gravel and Stone." For all the diseases referred to, from worms and influenza to consumption, the pills are declared to be a sovereign specific. Throughout the paper, powers of composition are displayed which would do credit to the pen of Stephen H. Branch.

The Panama Railroad Company's new Steam Propeller.

The screw-steamship *Guatemala*, now nearly completed at Greenpoint for the Panama Railroad Company, is worth a passing notice. She is 214 feet long on deck and 32 feet 9 inches wide; her hold is 10 feet 6 inches deep, between decks there are seven feet, and from main deck to passenger deck there are 7 feet 4 inches, making a total depth of 25 feet 6 inches. Her frame is of white oak below, and of hackmatack above; it is moulded at the keel 14 inches, at the main deck 8 inches, sided at the keel 9 inches, at the main deck 8 inches, and between centers 24 inches. The frames are diagonally strapped with iron bars on the outside, 4 by ⅝ inches, and 4 feet between centres. The straps reach aft and take hold of the stern-post and dead wood, and they reach forward and take hold of the stem and dead wood; they begin 44 inches above the main deck, and go down to one timber below the floor-heads. An iron strap goes round the vessel like a hoop, at the upper end of the diagonal straps, which are fastened to it. The plank on the bottom is of white oak up to 16-feet water-line; from this up it is of yellow pine, 4½ inches thick. All the planks over 10 inches wide are scarfed, and these scarfs are parallel with the edge; they are 3 feet long, edge-fastened, and secured with copper bolts. All the plank over 13 inches wide have three treenails in each single frame. The treenails, fore and aft, average 12 inches between centres, and wedged on both sides. The planks are edge-fastened with ⅞-inch iron, 2 feet apart.

The ceiling has five bilge streaks 8 inches thick, and five streaks 7 inches thick,—the balance of the ceiling being 5 inches thick. The flat of the floor is oak 3½ inches thick; all the other ceiling is of Georgia pine, and is edge-fastened in the same manner as the plank. After the treenails were driven the ceiling was square fastened with iron. The ceiling and water ways are scarfed. There is a beam on every third frame on all the decks, which allow 6 feet between centres. Each of the beams has three knees—one hanging and two lodging knees. The beams of the lower deck are 12 by 10, of the main deck 10 by 8, of the passenger deck 5 by 5 inches, of Georgia pine. There are two large and one coal port on each side of the ship opening on the lower deck. These ports have strong cast iron frames, which were inserted before the vessel was planked, and are fastened through from side to side. The diagonal straps coming to the ports are fastened to the frame. These ports are specially adapted to the service for which the vessel is intended,—the loading and discharging being performed by lighters. The *Guatemala* is well secured forward and aft by breast-hooks and pointers. Every beam is stanchioned, the stanchions being fastened to the keelson with knees, and to each other and the beams with iron straps. She is to have two masts, the foremast to be square-rigged.

The *Guatemala* is fitted with EMERSON's patent windlass forward, and a capstan aft. She will be furnished with five of RAYMOND's metallic life-boats. The engine timbers are of the most substantial kind, 4 feet 6 inches deep, and 33 inches wide, tapering or stepping down gradually forward and aft, and extending, in all, over 90 feet.

The *Guatemala* is intended to combine a freight and passenger business—for which screw-steamships are particularly well adapted—and the model of the vessel is made suitable for this, and is pronounced, by judges in nautical matters, to be all that can be desired. All below the main deck will be used for freight, and all above will be for passengers, with accommodations for 100 of the first class. The cabin begins aft, and extends forward nearly to the forward hatch. The *Guatemala* will be fitted with large, commodious state-rooms, on each side, the facing of which will be of hard wood polished. The wheel-house and the officers' rooms are to be on the upper deck.

The engine will have a cylinder of 56 inches diameter, and of 46 inches stroke—direct acting and condensing. The propeller wheel will be 14 feet in diameter. Return tubular boilers will be 10 feet 9 inches wide, 17 feet long, and 14 feet 4 inches high. The propeller wheel and rudder are of brass, and the shaft is covered with brass till it enters the vessel. The engine is of the same pattern as those of the *Huntsville* and *Montgomery*, of whose efficiency the public have had a good opportunity of judging, and which demonstrate that New-York mechanics are not behind our Transatlantic cousins in building screw-steamships.

The hull has been built by Mr. SAMUEL SNEDEN, the machinery by Mr. E. H. DELEMATER, the vessel being superintended by Mr. JOHN BAIRD, Engineer of Cromwell's steamships, by whom the specifications for the vessel and the drawings for the machinery are prepared.

The *Guatemala* is intended to run between Panama and the ports of Central America, in connection with the steamer *Columbus*, and will be commanded by Captain J. M. Dow, so well and favorably known upon this route. The vessel is expected to be launched in a week, when she will be taken to Thirteenth-street, North River, to the Delemater Iron Works, where she will receive her machinery, and will be ready for sea by the beginning of March.

Another bogus money concern was broken up at Buffalo last week.

Anæsthesia—Who Discovered It?

For the Journal of Commerce.

MESSRS. EDITORS: In penning the article which appeared in your columns of the 20th inst. on the subject above named, I had not the slightest idea of bringing reproach on the distinguished Professors PARKER, MOTT and FRANCIS, by the production of the explicit affidavits which they saw fit to give in 1852 to be used before the United States Senate in favor of the late HORACE WELLS as the true author of anæsthesia. It is true that the learned gentlemen had placed themselves in the unenviable attitude of addressing to the Senate in 1852, under oath, one opinion, and in now certifying to the public another, but I thought that I could find some apology for or explanation of this singular incongruity in the oblivious effect of numerous and urgent professional engagements, and the lapse of time.

I regret, however, to observe that these gentlemen have by a card inserted in your paper of the 18th inst. deprived me of this resource of charity, and I have to say, that should it turn out that they have by this act placed themselves *in a very serious predicament before the public*, they will have themselves to blame not me.

Two of these learned Doctors, viz., Messrs. PARKER and MOTT, open their apology as follows: "The undersigned fearing that the public may be misled by the publication at this time of *certain affidavits made by them in the month of Dec., 1852, in which we severally asserted our belief that Horace Wells, of Hartford, Connecticut, was the original discoverer of the Anæsthetic principle as applied to the removal of pain in surgical operations*, WHICH AFFIDAVITS WERE MADE BY US AT THE SOLICITATION AND IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REPRESENTATIONS OF THE HON. TRUMAN SMITH, then United States Senator from Connecticut, we felt it to be our duty," &c.

On this subject the following remarks, it is believed, will be deemed appropriate:

1. These gentlemen admit that they did in December, 1852, and comparatively within a brief period after this great discovery was made, declare under oath their full belief that the whole credit thereof should be awarded to Mr. WELLS. This language of Dr. PARKER, as will appear by recurring to his affidavit, was peculiarly emphatic: "*This merit*, he says, '*should in my judgment be awarded to the man who first applied either of these agents*,' (meaning nitrous oxyd gas, sulphuric ether, chloric ether, and the like substances,) '*for anæsthetic purposes*, AND I AM VERY CONFIDENT AND STRONG IN THE OPINION THAT MAN WAS THE LATE HORACE WELLS, OF HARTFORD."

2. They introduce into their excuse the word "*solicitation*"—they made, they say, "the affidavits at the solicitation" of the Senator from Connecticut. I know of no reason why I should address to these learned gentlemen solicitations. I had not, or have I ever had, one particle of interest on the subject. It was true that MORTON was making a grab at $100,000 in the United States Treasury, on grounds which I verily believed to constitute a case of "false pretences," and it was my duty to hunt up the facts to the end that truth might be vindicated and justice done.

3. But an extraordinary part of the statement of Messrs. PARKER and MOTT is, that they made their affidavits, or in other words, swore as they did, "IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REPRESENTATIONS of the Hon. TRUMAN SMITH, then United States Senator from Connecticut." This would seem to involve two pleas in bar of their former oath-taking; the first is "*ignoramus*," that they were entirely ignorant on the subject, and the second that they were seduced by a Senator into the declaration of "strong and confident opinions," when they had not investigated the subject, and had no grounds on which to base an opinion of any sort. Can this be so? Are the learned Professors and Doctors of this City, whose opinions on scientific subjects were often of the last importance in settling questions of private right, in the habit of giving *such accommodating affidavits?* If so, I would suggest that were some of them to open an office in the vicinage of the City Hall, they might probably drive a very lucrative business.

4. But you, Dr. VALENTINE MOTT, are grossly mistaken when you say, or intimate, you were seduced into swearing to an opinion on a subject of which you knew nothing, for in your affidavit you state a most pregnant fact, as follows: "The *first* intimation I ever had of the probable application of the nitrous oxyd or sulphuric ether, to obliterate all consciousness of pain in surgical operations, was derived *from the late Horace Wells*, of Hartford; when on a visit to New-York *he* called on me and *made the fact known. He said he had used ether for the extraction of teeth, and he believed it might be employed for the same purpose in great surgical operations.*" * * * * "This interview was some time before any publication was made on the subject." The first publication in which there is any allusion to this subject, may be found in the Boston *Surgical and Medical Journal*, of June 18, 1845, and long before MORTON pretends to have made any discovery whatever. Thus you, Dr. MOTT, have sworn, in substance, that WELLS was in this City announcing his great discovery early in 1845—announcing not only that the nitrous oxyd could be used, but that sulphuric ether had been also; or do you mean to un-swear not only your opinion, but a *fact* which is *conclusive* of the whole controversy, and to have it understood that the ex-Senator by some seductive influence obtained the mastery of your faculties and induced you to embark in the poor business of *romancing* under oath. No, no, doctor! You stated the fact truly in the spirit of a man of honor and rectitude (as you are,) and therefore your sworn opinion based on the fact, viz.: "*as he* (WELLS) *first applied ether for the purpose of producing anæsthesia, he is fully entitled to the credit and honor of the discovery*" stands good.

5. And as for you, Dr. PARKER, I have a chapter of ethics to read to the public in connection with your course, which may possibly prove alike instructive and interesting. Whether the case has any connection with another chapter wherein it was not long since announced to an astonished city (and under oath, too!) that there is such a thing as *moral insanity* adequate to exonerate parties, in some cases at least, from all legal responsibility! the public must judge.

But to a proper appreciation of the chapter first named, a brief preliminary statement is necessary on my part. Anterior to the caption of the affidavits of Doctors PARKER, MOTT and FRANCIS, the friends of Mrs. WELLS and child had put into my hands many affidavits, most of them taken at Hartford, but some of them in this City and elsewhere, proving conclusively that Dr. WELLS did, at Hartford, in the Fall of '44, conceive the idea of anæsthesia and immediately introduced it into practice at that place, which he and others continued openly and notoriously up to the period of his death, Jan. 24, 1848, and that MORTON was fully apprised of this discovery and practice long before he entered on experimentation at Boston. These proofs were from men of the highest standing and character, venerable clergymen, (including one Rt. Rev. Bishop,) Judges, Counsellors at law, Surgeons, Physicians, Dentists and many laymen. If there is such a thing as establishing any fact by human testimony, the case of H. W. was made impregnable in the manner stated.

But it was and is admitted, that the agent in the main, used by WELLS was the nitrous oxyd gas—it is true he had in some instances tried with success sulphuric ether, but fearing that the latter might prove injurious, and knowing that the former would not, he acted as any judicious and prudent man would under such circumstances, and used almost exclusively the nitrous oxyd. But the gas is unwieldly, and by no means as convenient as other agents, and it occurred to me that some attempt might be made to elevate MORTON to the position and dignity of a discoverer, on account of the part which he took in the Fall of '46, and for a few months after in bringing the availability of sulphuric ether to the notice of the surgeons and physicians of Boston.

It was for the purpose of obtaining authoritative evidence in opposition to any such futile effort that I called on Drs. PARKER, MOTT and FRANCIS, in December, 1852, and for that purpose only. I was received by them very politely, for which they had and still have my thanks. They with one voice insisted that the effect of the nitrous oxyd and sulphuric ether had long been known to be similar, and they said it being first ascertained that a state of anæsthesia could be produced by the oxyd it would be no discovery whatever to apply the ether to the same end. I then asked them to draw up their own affidavits, which they accordingly did, and I now have them in my possession *in their own proper handwriting*. I was not so presumptuous as to suggest either ideas or words, and they being perfectly conversant with all the facts, saw fit to go further, and to attribute in diverse language the whole merit of this great discovery to H. W. The public will be likely to think before I have done with this subject, that they then "hit the nail on the head," whatever they may say now.

Returning to Washington, and resuming my seat, it at length occurred to me that possibly in the debate which I then anticipated, some member might be impudent enough to deny the anæsthetic properties of the nitrous oxyd, or might insist that though available in the extraction of teeth, yet there was no proof that it could be used with success in great surgical operations. I then sat down and addressed Dr. PARKER on the subject, proposing to send on to New-York Mr. JOHN M. RIGGS, the dentist of Hartford, then in the city of Washington, to have him prepare the nitrous oxyd, and administer it under the direction of the Doctor, in some capital case, to the end that he (Dr. P.) might certify to its availability in such cases as well as in dentistry. In reply, I received from the learned gentleman the following very remarkable letter; remarkable in view of the position he now takes:

NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1853.

DEAR SIR: Your letter reached me yesterday, and in answer I beg leave to say I will assist in the trial of the nitrous oxyd gas provided we can have it prepared for our use by Dr. RIGGS or any other person. The question is whether the gas will produce *anæsthesia*; if so, then it has its place as an *anæsthetic* agent with sulphuric ether, chloric ether, chloroform, &c.

The *main question* is, who was the discoverer of the fact that a *state of anæsthesia* could be produced, and that with safety, (underscoring by the Doctor.)

Which is the best agent to produce such a state is another question—a question, too, not yet decided. THE BOSTON NAMES ARE NOTHING TO THE QUESTION.

Now, if the nitrous oxyd gas *cannot produce an anæsthetic state*, (underscored by the Doctor again,) then Dr. WELLS did not discover with that agent (and it is not claimed he did with any other) that a state of *anæsthesia* could be produced in the human subject."

If by experiment we can produce a state of anæsthesia with the gas, then is must be admitted by Mr. WALKER (referring to the Hon. J. P. WALKER, then a Senator from Wisconsin, and a strong supporter of the pretensions of MORTON,) and all others, that Dr. WELLS is entitled to the honor of discovering *the fact* (Doctor underscores) that an anæsthetic state can be produced. He did not use ether (there the Doctor was mistaken) nor chloroform, but others have since employed them *as agents* to produce *the same state* (Dr. underscores) which Dr. WELLS produced by another agent. Brandy will produce a state of anæsthesia also, and so will cold.

The question, I again say, before the Committee is to my mind clear, viz.: Who discovered *the great and transcendant fact* (Doctor underscores) that the human system can be put into a *state of anæsthesia* (the Doctor is emphatic again,) so that teeth may be extracted and no pain, limbs may be severed and the system remain in a tranquil sleep? That is the question, and the only question, and not whether this agent or that agent was em- [illegible]

"JUSTITIA FIAT ET CŒLUM RUAT." I cannot be at the [illegible] honest minds of distinguished Senators will be perverted, and an appropriation made on a FALSE ISSUE. I will aid in trying the gas, and if it be inert, then the claims of Dr. WELLS will fall to the ground.

Very truly yours,

W. PARKER.

Ah! Doctor, where are you now? Where is the pretence that you swore to an unsound and false opinion in favor of WELLS, "in consequence of *the representations*" of Senator SMITH? Is it not manifest that you knew all about the claims of WELLS,—indeed, that you were much better posted than he was on that subject. I defy human ingenuity to form a more just conception of the true issue then and now pending between WELLS and MORTON, or to state that issue in more just and appropriate terms *than you did!* You knew WELLS had been using the nitrous oxyd at Hartford months before MORTON pretends to have made any discovery at Boston; therefore you exclaim, "the question is whether the gas will produce anæsthesia?" Again, "Who was the discoverer of the fact that a state of anæsthesia can be produced, and that with safety?" And then, again, "Who discovered the great and transcendant fact that the human system can be put into such state, so that teeth may be extracted and no pain,—limbs may be severed and the system may remain in a state of tranquillity?" And the solution of these questions you affirm in another part of your letter may be reached by making in this city a new trial of the nitrous oxyd. "If," you say, "by experiment we can produce a state of anæsthesia with gas, IT MUST BE ADMITTED by Mr. WALKER, and all others, that DR. WELLS IS ENTITLED TO THE HONOR OF DISCOVERING THE FACT THAT AN ANÆSTHETIC STATE CAN BE PRODUCED," and the agent which he used you affirm over and over is wholly immaterial. You seemed to be overwhelmed with anxiety lest the Senate should attach some importance to the properties or nature of the agent used by MORTON—that you affirm would be to make an appropriation on "*a false issue.*" MORTON had appeared at Washington with a long string of Boston names to advance his claims, but you say, justly, "the Boston names are nothing to the question." How is it now, good Doctor? You have added your name to the Boston names! Is that adding nothing to what you say was nothing before? Certain New-York names are found on both sides of this question—*weighing in both scales*. I am inclined to think they are worse than nothing—*that they are in a marked degree a negative quantity*. You seem, learned Sir, to be fond of Latin maxims;—here is one for your edification, "*Litera scripta remanet.*" Next time you propose to swear one way, and then certify the reverse, I advise you to write no letters on the subject. Bad affairs these letters are to the uncandid and prevaricating.

So much for the naughty conduct of a United States Seantor in seducing two distinguished Professors of Surgery and Medicine of the City of New-York into the unhappy business of swearing to opinions when they hadn't any, though it strikes me "the boot should be put on t'other leg," and if anybody was seduced it was the Senator. It is true I attached some weight to the opinions of these gentlemen, but I agree I was mistaken. I now think they were not worth one straw, and very likely the public will think so too.

But by far the most important part of the statement of Drs. PARKER and MOTT is that which, after showing how they had been induced by representations, &c., to swear the other way, concludes as follows: "We feel it to be our duty to state, that a subsequent and careful examination of the facts in the history of the discovery of anæsthesia has led us to a different conclusion," and then they go on to add, "whatever may have been the steps preliminary to this remarkable discovery, Dr. MORTON's claim to it is established beyond all controversy, and his merits in this respect, with those who have taken the trouble to inform themselves on the subject, can be no longer a question in dispute."

This is certainly going it pretty extensively. Here the learned gentlemen say that, after having sworn in favor of WELLS, they *carefully* examined "into the facts in the history of anæsthesia," and were "led to a different conclusion." This would seem to be *a little* diffident and modest, but then they all at once break out with the asseveration that MORTON's "claim is established beyond all controversy"—"no longer a question of dispute" "with those who have taken the trouble to inform themselves." This is the same thing as to say that the multitude of citizens of Boston, New-York, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, and, in short, in all parts of the country, (many of them distinguished members of their own profession,) who verily believe H. W. to be the true and only discoverer of the principle of anæsthesia, and the first to introduce it into practice, are profoundly ignorant on that subject—that they and those who act with them have alone looked into and understand the case.

But you, Messrs. PARKER and MOTT, it seems, have gone into a "careful examination of the facts in the history of the discovery of anæsthesia," and that, too, subsequent to your swearing the other way. When? where? how? where did you do it? at what place? Was it in New-York, Boston or Hartford, or in neither? When was it? Was it since MORTON arrived in this city, in pursuit of a great "national testimonial" with a list of "Boston names," for which you, Dr. PARKER, had so much contempt in '52? How have you done it? Have you called for proofs? Have you given notice to the parties, or has your inquiry been wholly *ex parte?* Have you ever sent to Hartford, to ascertain the facts? Have you, Dr. PARKER, made the experiment, on which you declared, in your letter of Jan. 25, 1853, the whole issue must turn, viz., whether the nitrous oxyd will produce on the human system an anæsthetic effect? I deny that such trial has ever been made in this city; certainly it has not been by you,—and yet you pretend to have examined carefully into the subject. You have not taken even the first step indispensable to "a careful examination." And what is much more grave, I have to say you knew, or had reason to know, that I am the custodian of all the proofs on the Wells side of the question. Here is one from the Rt. Rev. Bishop BROWNELL, of Hartford, Conn., which I select out of several scores.

"I, Thomas C. Brownell, of the city and county of Hartford, depose and say, that on or about the 1st of January, 1848, my daughter, FRANCES J. BROWNELL, had five teeth extracted by Dr. RIGGS, a dentist of this city, she being at the time, under the influence of nitrous oxyd gas, administered to her by the late Dr. WELLS. I was present at the operation, and saw no evidence that my daughter was conscious of suffering, and she told me afterwards that she felt no pain during the operation. A few weeks afterwards she had three more teeth extracted, while under the influence of ether, and with little appearance of suffering, though she thought it less genial in its effects than the nitrous oxyd gas, and such was my own judgment of its operation. T. C. BROWNELL."

Sworn to before HENRY L. RIDER, N. P.

And yet you have not condescended to call for these proofs!—not for one of them!—but, without any other than a one-sided inquiry, you have dared to say to the public you have made "a careful examination into the facts," &c.

Let those believe who choose to—*I do not!*

As for you, Dr. FRANCIS, it is manifest that you act on the sentiment of the immortal Falstaff, that "the better part of valor is discretion." Your P. S. to the card of Drs. MOTT and PARKER is truly diplomatic. You do not pretend to take back what you swore to before, but you seem to think that although WELLS may have discovered the principle and introduced the practice of anæsthesia, yet, through the "experiments, perseverance and energy" of MORTON, "it was made manifest that sulphuric ether might be used as an effective anæsthetic agent in surgical operations;" thus passing by the prime discoverer, the great benefactor of mankind, to bestow all the rewards, if not all the honors, on a party who acted a very subordinate part in the matter. I have said before that I would be willing to acknowledge some merit in MORTON, had he placed himself on any grounds consistent with rectitude and truth. But he has utterly denied the claims of WELLS, and controverted his case at every point. A subordinate party may be entitled to great credit, but much depends on the motive which characterizes his course. If he lays hold of the discovery of another, and seeks to appropriate it to himself, *cum animo farandi*, his is a detestable character, and should be scouted from the respect and confidence of all honorable men. Whether WM. T. G. MORTON stands before the public in any such attitude the candid and discriminating must judge. I dismiss him to the patronage of all those who choose to be humbugged.

In my former communication I stated that I had stood pretty much alone in efforts to assert the claims of Dr. WELLS and the rights of his widow and child, but I am happy to say that this is to be so no longer, as will appear from the following communication, which I have recently received from the Right Rev. Bishop BROWNELL, Ex-Chief Justice WILLIAMS, and other citizens of Hartford of high distinction:

HARTFORD, Dec. 13, 1858.

The Hon. Truman Smith—DEAR SIR: As the city of Hartford had the honor of giving birth to anæsthesia, or the use of gases and vapors for the relief of pain, and believing that the claims of the late HORACE WELLS, as the author of that discovery, have not been brought as fully before the world as the case demands, we request you, at your convenience, to give our citizens a history of that great discovery, and the efforts made to deprive Dr. WELLS of his just rights.

T. C. Brownell, Th. S. Williams, Wm. W. Ellsworth, Seth Terry, B. Hudson, Harvey Seymour, James W. Bunce, T. M. Allyn, S. B. Beresford, M. D., B. Rogers, M. D., P. M. Hastings, M. D., A. W. Barrows, P. W. Ellsworth."

I have designated the evening of Wednesday the 29th for the meeting, and of course the learned Dr. PARKER cannot have any objection to my taking with me his original affidavit and letter, together with his recent card;—possibly they may prove to the meeting alike instructive and amusing.

In conclusion, Messrs. Editors, permit me to say that the public must not infer from a brief editorial under the caption "Anæsthesia," contained in your paper of the 16th inst., (in which you state in substance that I have undertaken the prosecution of the claims of the family of Dr. WELLS,) that I am in any sense employed as their counsel, or that I am deriving or expect to derive any (the slightest) benefit from the assertion of those claims. I do not pretend to be more disinterested than other men, but the truth is I became enlisted in this cause in my representative capacity, and knowing all the facts I felt that I ought not to remain silent while an attempt is being made to practice what I consider is a gross imposition on the people of New-York.—Dated at New-York, Dec. 22, A. D. 1858.

TRUMAN SMITH.

MAN MURDERED BY HIS SON.—A murder was committed Dec. 16, at Northfield, Ct. A man named HIRAM TRIPPE was killed by his son, 30 years of age and insane. No cause assigned. About dark, high words having passed between father and son, the latter drew a dirk-knife and pursued the old gentleman, who took refuge in his bed-room, closing the door after him, and holding it fast. The son attempted to burst in the door; but, failing in this, he appears to have stood by, waiting for his father. As soon as the door was opened, the son plunged the knife into the bowels of his father, ripping them open so that they protruded upon the floor as he fell. He died about 4 o'clock this morning. The young man, immediately after committing the deed, repaired to his room and locked himself in. A messenger was dispatched to this village for Deputy Sheriff PECK and Grand Juror SHARP, both of whom repaired at once to the house. They found MERRITT in bed, arrested him, and brought him to jail, where he is now confined, awaiting an examination.

The boiler explosion at St. Louis, Dec. 17, reported in our telegrams, destroyed a part of the sugar refinery of Mr. Belcher, on North Main-street. Six [illegible] The names of four of them were: Jacob Hemingfolder, John Conners, Brice Crahan and Henry Fellingall.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDAR—Friday. Dec 24.

Supreme Court.—*Circuit*—Nos. 1708, 2455, 2851, 3722, 3936, 3996, 4468, 4690, 4700, 4882, 4891, 5006, 5226, 5417, 5736, 5820, 5863, 5892, 5917, 6033, 6093, 6141, 6142, 6162, 6188, 6215, 6222.

Common Pleas—*Part I.*—(Hilton, J., without a Jury.)—Nos. 271, 512, 413, 487, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545. *Part II.*—(Daly, J., without a Jury.)—Nos. 383, 410, 436, 5.0, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 531, 532.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—Dec. 23.

Before Judge Betts and a Jury.

The United States vs. *Two hundred quarter boxes of cigars, &c.*—This was a libel of information filed to forfeit for undervaluation, two hundred quarter boxes, one hundred and twenty-five fifth boxes, and eleven hundred and forty tenth boxes of cigars, imported in the brig *Lyra* in March last, by Alvarez Hein, manufacturer. The cigars were invoiced at $2,789, but on appraisement their value was raised in the average 19 per cent., whereupon this information was filed. The testimony was conflicting as to what was the actual market price of such cigars at Havana, whence they were imported, at the time of importation.

Judge Betts charged the Jury as follows:

This action demands the forfeiture of an importation of cigars, addressed to the claimants as consignees, from the port of Havana in March last. The invoice of the goods submitted to the Collector in this port was raised on appraisement here, and was reported undervalued in its price, in most respects to a large per centage, nearly to the amount of 30 per cent. The justness of the appraisement has been suported by the testimony of merchants trading in the article between that port and this, who have been examined in Court on this trial, and very considerable evidence has also been submitted on the part of the claimants, impugning that evidence by witnesses examined in Court, and also in testimony taken on commission in Havana.

It is to be observed by the Jury that this prosecution is authorized by express statute, and that the proceedings under it do not correspond entirely to suits between individuals. The United States have exclusive power to regulate the subject of importations from foreign countries to this, and to prohibit them entirely, or clothe their admissions with such conditions or restrictions as may be deemed expedient by Congress.

The commodities in question are made subject by statute to a duty of 30 per cent. *ad valorem*, and the importers are bound to make up a true invoice of the market value of the articles in the general market of Havana at the time of exportation as a measure by which the Government may impose and collect the legal duties upon them at their entry. When the goods were offered for entry they were ordered by the Collector to be appraised, and the authority to which they were referred for that purpose is empowered by statute to determine the foreign market value, and that decision is made *conclusive* for the purpose of assessing duties. It is not, however, conclusive, but only *prima facie* proof of that value in this action. It amounts to the latter grade of evidence to that end, and then, by the provisions of another act of Congress, the burden is cast upon the claimants to prove on their part that the appraisement does not represent the real market value of the goods in Havana, and that the invoice is a fair and honest one in respect to that value.

The Jury will compare and weigh all the testimony on both sides to this point, and determine whether the claimants have succeeded in establishing the justness of their invoice against the proof of the Government. The evidence furnished in commissions taken abroad is to have the same effect on this inquiry, as to credibility, as if delivered in Court.

If the Jury find upon the whole evidence that the claimants have not justified the prices stated on their invoice, the further inquiry remains to be settled by the Jury, whether the undervaluation was made designedly or was the result of honest mistake or misapprehension. The goods are subject to condemnation only in case they are undercharged with intent to evade the payment of the legal duties charged upon them.

That purpose will be implied and presumed by the Jury in the absence of clear and credible testimony on the part of the importers excusing the undervaluation, provided the Jury judge the variation so considerable as to import an expectation by the importers that a profit or benefit might be expected to be secured to them by making the importation at the invoice price instead of its true value in the foreign market. The question upon the motives of the importers and the true state of the foreign market, are matters of fact, and are submitted to the Jury exclusively for their decision.

The Jury retired, and after a considerable time returned into Court saying that they were unable to agree, and after some discussion they were discharged.

For the United States, Mr. Hunt. For the claimants, Mr. Griswold.

The United States vs. *One Hundred Kegs containing Emery*—This was an action brought to forfeit the emery for undervaluation at the Custom-house. The emery was imported from London in Sept. 1856, and was entered as valued at 18 shillings sterling per hundred weight, but on appraisement here the value was raised to 23 shillings. Evidence was given on both sides as to the quality of the emery, and its market value. The charge of the Judge was substantially the same as in the case of the cigars. The Jury found a verdict for the United States, forfeiting the goods. For the United States—Mr. Hunt. For the claimants—Mr. Walden.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—Dec. 23.

Before Judge Ingersoll.

The Grand Jury brought in indictments, this morning, in the following cases:

The United States vs. *James McAdam.*—An indictment for larceny on the high seas for stealing money from one Mary McManus on the ship *West Point.*

The United States vs. *Wm. B. Aldrich, George P. Abbott and Daniel Graham.*—An indictment against some of the crew of the ship *Zingara* for revolt and mutiny.

The United States vs. *John B. Macomber and four others.*—An indictment for voluntarily serving on the slaver *Haidee.*

The Grand Jury also stated to the Court that they had thrown out a bill against a boy named Charles Brown, *alias* Matthew Taylor, who was sent here by the Consul at Bermuda charged with committing a murder on board the ship *Cerro Gordo*, the evidence seeming to show that the deed was done in self-defence. The Court ordered that he be discharged from custody and delivered to the British Consul, he being a British subject.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Extension of the Special Trial Term.—At a Session of the Superior Court of the City of New-York, on the 23d day of December, 1858, present, all the Justices, ordered that the Special Term of this Court for the trial of causes appointed to be held on the first Monday of the present month, and now in progress, be, and the same is hereby extended to and including the second Saturday of January, A. D. 1859. And the duration of the said term, as heretofore appointed, is hereby altered to conform to said extension.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Before Judge Slosson.

Samuel S. Salter vs. *Fernando Wood.*—This cause has occupied the Circuit ten days, and is by no means at an end. Since Tuesday the defence has been engaged in presenting testimony. The case attracts no little public attention, and is ably conducted by D. D. Field for the plaintiff, and Mr. Chas. O'Conor for the defendant.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before the Hon. Recorder Barnard.

THE CASE OF STEPHENS, THE ALLEGED WIFE-POISONER.

The Court opened again yesterday morning, at 10 o'clock, the pressure of business for some time past having been so great that the Recorder has been obliged to devote the entire day, to a late hour in the evening, for the disposal of the cases on the Calendar.

The trial of Patrick Gunning, Archibald Brown, and John Kerrigan, indicted for an alleged outrage on the person of Mary Galloway, on the night of Nov. 17, in a stable at the corner of Seventeenth-street and First-avenue, was the first case yesterday. Much public sympathy has been elicited for this complainant. According to the statement made by her to the committing magistrate, she was dragged into the stable by six men, and by them successively outraged, the last man leaving her senseless, and robbing her of her victorine. The testimony taken yesterday, generally unfit for publication, was disadvantageous to the complainant, and the Jury found the defendants guilty of a simple assault and battery only. Sentence reserved.

The next case was also one of outrage, on a female named Mary O'Neil, alleged to have been perpetrated by Patrick Hefferman and Bernard Smith, on Nov. 4, in Eighteenth-street and Second-avenue. The evidence was mostly unfit for publication. The Jury had not agreed at a late hour. James Stephens was arraigned yesterday morning, and through his counsel, Mr. Busteed, pleaded not guilty. Mr. Blunt, the District-Attorney, moved to transfer the trial to the Court of Oyer and Terminer. No objection being interposed, on the part of the defence, the Recorder granted the motion. Mr. Busteed then moved for a commission to examine certain parties in Ireland, whose evidence, as is stated, will be of material importance to the defence. The issue of this commission will probably postpone the trial of the case for some weeks.

The Lottery Investigation.

OFFICE OF THE CITY JUDGE.

Before Judge Russell.

The case of Wood, Eddy & Co., alleged agents of Swan & Co.'s lotteries, was resumed before Judge Russell, at 11½ A. M. yesterday.

James H. Sturges, residing at No. 5 Bowery, being sworn, deposed: I am an exchange broker; I know Mr. Benjamin Wood; I do not know Mr. Eddy; I know Murray & Dickinson slightly.

Q.—Did you ever know of the sale by either of the defendants of any lottery ticket in the City of New-York, or of any such ticket being placed on commission by either of the parties? A.—I do not.

Q.—Do you know that either of the parties named have dealt in lottery tickets in the City of New-York? A.—I do not.

Mr. Holmes here rested the case for the prosecution, reserving the right to examine Dennis Connolly as a witness, who had been subpenæd but had not yet appeared.

Ex-Recorder Smith moved that the case be dismissed on the ground that there was not probable cause for the detention of the defendants.

Mr. Hall said it was proposed on the part of the defendants to submit the case to the Judge without examining any witnesses and without summing up. If the counsel for the accused concluded so to submit the case, he hoped the Court would direct that the other side should not sum up on their part.

Judge Russell said he should listen to any statements that counsel deemed it advisable to make.

Messrs. Hall and Smith consulted with Mr. Benjamin Wood in the Judge's private office, and then Mr. Smith stated that he and his associate had concluded to submit the case without comment.

Mr. Holmes then summed up for the prosecution. He read from the testimony of George A. Armour to prove that that the witness had committed perjury, and examined the other evidence in the case. He claimed that inasmuch as no evidence had been introduced to contradict the original affidavit in the case upon which the Judge had issued his warrant for the arrest of the accused, the Judge could not, without inconsistency, refuse to give that affidavit the same weight now which he had given it when he issued the warrant.

Judge Russell inquired whether any of the parties charged as principals in this accusation had been placed on the stand.

Mr. Holmes said none had.

The Judge said he only wanted to know how far the faith of the State was pledged; those who had been put on the stand of course could not be prosecuted.

Ex-Recorder Smith arose and claimed the right to argue the motion to dismiss the complaint.

The Judge said that motion was not before him; if it had been he should have denied it instanter; Mr. Smith had waived the right to sum up in the case.

It was finally agreed that Mr. Smith should be allowed to proceed, and that Mr. Holmes should have the privilege of answering. Mr. Smith accordingly replied to the argument of Mr. Holmes, and Mr. Holmes responded.

Judge Russell said he would endeavor to deliver his decision in the case next Thursday at 12 o'clock.

FAMILY MARKET PRICES CURRENT.

Washington Market, Thursday, Dec. 23, 1858.

The interior of the market, and the streets, and piers, in the neighborhood, were as densely thronged, by purchasers, to-day, as they could well have been. Towards noon, the crowd was so great that it was very difficult to move in any direction. Some old and regular visitors said the number of people, the noise and confusion, exceeded all precedent. Some too sensitive and too impetuous buyers, thought that they had struggled and suffered enough, in endeavoring to reach the stands, to entitle them to such supplies as they were in quest of, gratuitously. The main objects of attraction were the poultry stands,—where a remarkably brisk business was transacted. The run of custom, however, was very general, and few dealers complained of any want of demand.

MEATS.

With good supplies, the improved inquiry was easily met. Prices, however, generally favor sellers. Some uncommonly fine carcasses of American Mutton were in market to-day. The butcher who offered them for sale estimated that they would average 150 ℔s. each carcass. Most of those on exhibition had been previously ordered for various hotels and steamships. They were sold by the carcass at, as we were informed, 25c. ⅌ ℔. We have rarely seen any English Mutton to equal them. It really was a treat to look at them, suspended from the hooks, cleanly dressed and neatly decorated.

Beef, roasting pieces, ⅌ ℔	10	@	16
Beef, chuck roast, ⅌ ℔	7	@	11
Beef, second cut chuck, ⅌ ℔	5	@	9
Beef, porter-house steak, ⅌ ℔	15	@	18
Beef, sirloin, ⅌ ℔	12	@	15
Beef, rump steak, ⅌ ℔	10	@	13
Beef, corned, ⅌ ℔	6	@	10
Mutton, hind quarters, ⅌ ℔	6	@	14
Mutton, fore quarters, ⅌ ℔	4	@	8
Mutton, chops, ⅌ ℔	9	@	14
Lamb, ⅌ ℔	9	@	14
Veal, hind quarters, ⅌ ℔	10	@	12
Veal, fore quarters, ⅌ ℔	6	@	9
Veal, cutlets, ⅌ ℔	14	@	17
Pork, fresh, ⅌ ℔	10	@	11
Pork, salted, ⅌ ℔	8	@	10
Pork, jowls, ⅌ ℔	9	@	10
Roasting Pigs, each	1 25	@	2 00
Soup Meats, ⅌ ℔	4	@	8
Smoked Beef, ⅌ ℔	11	@	14
Bacon, ⅌ ℔	11	@	13
Hams, ⅌ ℔	12	@	14
Shoulders, ⅌ ℔	8	@	10
Tongues, each	68	@	81
Lard, ⅌ ℔	12½	@	13
Lard, by the tub, ⅌ ℔	11½	@	12½
Sausages, City made, ⅌ ℔	12	@	—
Tripe, ⅌ ℔	6	@	—

POULTRY AND GAME.

This branch of business has been remarkably animated. The quality of the supplies has noticeably improved. The demand has been quite brisk. Prices of some kinds have advanced. Nearly all descriptions are held with more firmness.

Fowls, ⅌ pair	75	@	1 25
Fowls, Buck's County, ⅌ pair	1 00	@	1 75
Fowls, ⅌ lb	11	@	14
Western Poultry, ⅌ lb	7	@	11
Chickens, roasting, ⅌ pair	62½	@	1 25
Guinea Hens, ⅌ pair	62½	@	75
Turkeys, ⅌ lb	10	@	15
Geese, each	1 00	@	1 25
Ducks, ⅌ pair	50	@	1 25½
Ducks, Canvass-Backs, ⅌ pair	2 50	@	3 50
Ducks, Red-head, ℔ pair	1 00	@	1 25
Widgeons, ⅌ pair	50	@	62
Teal, ⅌ pair	50	@	62
Wild Turkeys, each	1 75	@	3 50
Pigeons, Wild, ⅌ dozen	2 00	@	2 75
Pigeons, Squab, ⅌ dozen	2 25	@	3 00½
Woodcock, ⅌ dozen	3 75	@	4 50½
Woodcock, ⅌ pair	62½	@	87
Quail, ⅌ doz	1 75	@	2 00
Partridge, ⅌ pair	75	@	1 00
Rabbits, ⅌ pair	37	@	50
Venison, ⅌ ℔	9	@	13
Bear's Meat	12½	@	16

FISH.

The transactions in the principal varieties of Fish have been to a fair extent. The assortment in market is less extensive. Eels, Stripid Bass, Blackfish and Terrapins are dearer.

Sal'n Trout, ⅌ ℔	15	@—	Cat-fish, ⅌ ℔	8	@—
Codfish, ⅌ ℔	6	@—	Frost-fish, ⅌ ℔	6	@—
Pickerel, ⅌ ℔	12	@—	Black-fish, ⅌ ℔	10	@—
Eels, ⅌ ℔	10	@12	White-fish, ⅌ ℔	12	@—
Flounders, ⅌ ℔	—	@ 6	Mullet, ⅌ ℔	8	@—
Striped Bass, ⅌ ℔	12	@15	Haddock, ⅌ ℔	—	@ 6
Perch, ⅌ ℔	8	@10	Terrapins, ⅌ dz.	$12	@$15
Smelts, ⅌ ℔	15	@—	Frogs, ⅌ dozen	25	@$1

Oysters, ⅌ 100	50	@	2 00
Oysters, pickled, ⅌ 100	$1 00	@	2 50
Clams, ⅌ 100	50	@	1 25
Lobsters, ⅌ ℔	6	@	—
Salmon, City smoked, ⅌ ℔	18	@	20
Salmon, pickled, ⅌ ℔	12	@	15
Codfish, pickled, ⅌ ℔	4	@	5
Codfish, dry, ⅌ ℔	4	@	5
Halibut, smoked, ⅌ ℔	10	@	—
Mackerel, smoked, ⅌ ℔	10	@	12
Mackerel, pickled, each	6	@	12
Sounds and Tongues, ⅌ ℔	8	@	10

VEGETABLES.

The demand has been good, and prices of the leading kinds have been sustained.

Potatoes, ⅌ bbl	1 25	@	2 50
Potatoes, ⅌ bushel	50	@	87
Potatoes, ⅌ half peck	12	@	16
Sweet Potatoes, ⅌ half peck	20	@	25
Turnips, ⅌ bushel	37	@	50
Turnips, ⅌ half peck	6	@	9
Parsnips, ⅌ bushel	62	@	—
Parsnips, ⅌ dozen	10	@	15
Carrots, ⅌ bushel	62	@	—
Carrots, ⅌ dozen	10	@	15
Beets, ⅌ dozen bunches	50	@	—
Beets, ⅌ bunch	5	@	—
Onions, ⅌ bushel	87½	@	1 25
Onions, ⅌ peck	31	@	50
Chicory, ⅌ doz	38	@	—
Cabbage, Red, ⅌ dozen	1 00	@	1 25
Cabbage, Red, ⅌ head	10	@	12
Cabbage, ⅌ doz	37	@	75
Cabbage, ⅌ head	4	@	7
Cauliflower, ⅌ doz	75	@	2 00
Cauliflower, each	7	@	18
Cranberries, ⅌ quart	15	@	25
Tomatoes, ⅌ quart can	25	@	—
Oyster Plant, ⅌ bunch	8	@	10
Parsley, ⅌ bunch	4	@	—
Celery, table, ⅌ bunch	10	@	12
Celery, soup, ⅌ bunch	2	@	—
Leeks, ⅌ bunch	6	@	—
Garlic, ⅌ bunch	8	@	—
Spinach, ⅌ peck	15	@	18
Squashes, each	12	@	25
Pumpkins, ordinary sizes, each	12	@	25

FRUIT.

A fair inquiry has prevailed for most kinds at steady rates.

Apples, ⅌ half peck	20	@	50
Apples, Lady, ⅌ half peck	75	@	1 00
Apples, dried, ⅌ ℔	9	@	10
Pears, cooking, ⅌ half peck	50	@	75
Pears, eating, ⅌ half peck	1 00	@	1 25
Grapes, ⅌ ℔	20	@	25
Grapes, Malaga, ⅌ ℔	50	@	75
Citron, preserved, ⅌ ℔	20	@	25
Peaches, dried, ⅌ ℔	18	@	20
Plums, dried, ⅌ ℔	28	@	30
Chestnuts, ⅌ quart	18	@	—
Hickory Nuts, ⅌ quart	10	@	—
Walnuts, ⅌ quart	10	@	—
Oranges, ⅌ doz	31	@	50
Lemons, ⅌ dozen	25	@	—
Cocoanuts, ⅌ dozen	37	@	50
Figs, ⅌ box	37	@	50
Figs, ⅌ ℔	12	@	—
Dates, ⅌ ℔	10	@	—
Raisins, ⅌ ℔	8	@	12
Currants, ⅌ ℔	10	@	12
Green Ginger, ⅌ ℔	25	@	—

DAIRY PRODUCE, EGGS AND HONEY.

Dealers are selling small quantities of Butter on easier terms. Cheese and Eggs are firm. Honey is somewhat lower. Business is not very active.

Butter, State, by the tub, ⅌ ℔	19	@	27
Butter, State, ⅌ ℔	21	@	29
Butter, Ohio, ⅌ ℔	16	@	23
Cheese, new, ⅌ ℔	9½	@	10
Cheese, English, ⅌ ℔	15	@	16
Eggs, four for	12	@	—
Eggs, nine for	25	@	—
Eggs, forty for	1 00	@	—
Honey, ⅌ can	—	@	50
Honey, ⅌ bottle	—	@	25
Honey, ⅌ ℔	20	@	25

PICKLES, PRESERVES, &c.

Pepper Mangoes, ⅌ doz	—	@	37
Mangoes, each	—	@	4
New-York Peppers, ⅌ 100	37	@	62
Gherkins, ⅌ 100	31	@	37
Pickled Onions, ⅌ quart	12	@	—
Horse Radish, ⅌ pint bottle	15	@	—
Horse Radish, dry, ⅌ ℔	12½	@	—
Sauer Kraut, ⅌ quart	6	@	—
Sardines, ⅌ box	31	@	—
Sweet Oil, ⅌ quart bottle	31	@	37
Catsup, Tomato, ⅌ pint bottle	12½	@	—
Catsup, Tomato, ⅌ gallon	—	@	—
Catsup, Mushrooms, ⅌ gallon	—	@	2 50

EVERGREENS

Have been more abundant, and more sought after, to-day, than they were last Friday. Prices of such as meet the requirements of the most numerous class of buyers, are essentially unaltered. Firs range in price from 25c. to $3 each tree; and bunches of Fir branches sell at 31c.@43c. ⅌ bunch. Dwarf trees, with artificial flowers as ornaments, tied to the branches, are quoted at from 37c.@75c. without boxes, and $1@$1 50 with boxes. Laurels, in bunches, can be had at 6c.@10c. ⅌ bunch. Fir Wreaths, with floral decorations, are selling at 12c., and without flowers at 6c. each.

The foregoing report is based on information obtained, to-day, mainly from the following parties: Thomas B. Way, stand No. 21; Fuller & Baker, stands Nos. 128 and 160; Packer & Knapp, stands Nos. 289 and 290; J. D. Hiscox, stands Nos. 306 and 307; Joseph Forsyth, stands Nos. 262 and 263; J. Wilcox, stands Nos. 358 and 359; S. Lichtenstein, stands. Nos. 445 and 446; Mrs. Cronin, stand No. 156; J. Lynch, stand No. 3; J. Cameron, stands Nos. 146 and 147.

GENERAL MARKETS.

New-York, Thursday, Dec. 23, 1858—6 P. M.

The reported receipts of the leading kinds of Produce, since noon of yesterday, have been as follows:

	Erie R. R.	Southern boats.	Total
Ashes, bbls	11	.....	11
Flour, bbls	1,236	8,860	10,106
Provisions pkgs	1,397	1,526	2,923

ASHES—Are quiet at old prices. Pots, $5 50; Pearls, $5 75 ⅌ 100 ℔s.

BEESWAX—American Yellow, 33c.@34c. ⅌ ℔.

COFFEE—Sales to-day 180 bags Maracaibo at 11½c.@11⅞c.; 300 bags Rio at 11c.@11¾c.; 908 bags St. Domingo at 9⅝c.; 45 bags stained do. at 8¾c. ⅌ ℔.

COTTON—Sales 1,000 bales at steady prices.

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Upland.	Florida.	Mobile.	N. O. & Tex.
Ordinary, ⅌ ℔	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
Middling, ⅌ ℔	12	12	12⅛	12¼
Middling Fair, ⅌ ℔	12½	12⅛	12⅜	13

DYEWOODS—A sale of St. Domingo Logwood was reported at $12 50 ⅌ ton.

FISH—Most kinds have been sparingly sought after at unchanged prices. Dry Cod, $3 75@$4 35 ⅌ cwt.; large No. 1 Massachusetts Mackerel at $15 50; small and medium No. 2, do., at $13 50@13 75; large No. 3, do. do., at $9 25@$9 50; Pickled Herring, $3@$3 75 ⅌ bbl.; Smoked Herring, 30c.@32c. for scaled, and 20c.@22c. for No. 1, ⅌ box.

FEATHERS—Live Geese, at 44c.@50c. ⅌ ℔.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market is quiet for State and Western Flour, yet prices are essentially unaltered. Sales, 8,250 bbls.

Unsound State, ⅌ bbl	$3 70@ 4 20
Superfine State	4 25@ 4 45
Extra State	5 00@ 5 20
Superfine Western	4 40@ 4 80
Fancy Ohio	4 85@ 5 00
Extra Indiana and Michigan	5 00@ 6 50
Extra Ohio	5 40@ 7 00
Fancy Genesee	5 30@ 5 50
Extra Genesee	5 70@ 7 75
Low to very choice Extra Missouri	5 75@ 8 50

Canadian is in request at former rates, sales 500 bbls. at $5 25@$6 30 for low to choice extra, ⅌ bbl. Southern is in fair demand at old figures; sales 1,700 bbls., at $4 75@$5 40 for mixed and straight brands, and $5 50@$8 75 for low fancy to very choice extra brands ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is selling slowly at $3 25@$4 10 for fine to superfine ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is moderately sought after at $3 40@$3 50 for Jersey, and $4 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl.

Mr. Wm. G. Cutting notices the business of the week thus: "The market for State and Western Flour continues without material change in prices. There has been a fair demand for the Eastern and local trade, and also something doing in Superfine State on speculation for Western account. Yesterday's transactions were to a moderate extent. There is more activity in Southern Flour, without change in price. Canadian Flour continues quiet, and prices nominally unchanged. Rye Flour is dull and closes heavily. Corn Meal remains quiet. The market for Wheat continues without special animation; the arrivals have been confined to small parcels of Southern. The demand has been chiefly for the supply of the immediate wants of the Eastern and local trade. Prices have been well sustained, and holders generally are firm. The transactions yesterday were to a fair extent, and the market steady. The transactions in Rye are not large, but the market is very firm. There has been a very good demand for Western Mixed Corn, chiefly on speculation for Western account. Most of the parcels now in store have changed hands within a short time, and are held for an advance. New Southern has been coming forward in limited quantities, and is sought after by the Eastern trade. The market yesterday closed firm. There is a fair demand for Oats, and choice descriptions are sought after for shipment to New-Orleans. Prices continue firm."

FOREIGN LIQUORS—All kinds are in moderate request at unchanged prices.

FRUIT—Sales to-day, 500 boxes Layer Raisins at $2 60; 800 boxes Bunch do., at $2 05, and 250 boxes Valencia at 7¾c.@8c. ⅌ ℔.

GRAIN—Wheat is in better request, at uniform rates; sales 22,500 bushels, including fair White Canada, at $1 25; prime Chicago Spring, at 83c.; damaged Red Illinois, at $1 08; good to choice White Southern, at $1 38@$1 50; and good to prime Red do. at $1 20@$1 25 ⅌ bushel. Corn is in moderate demand, at full prices; sales 18,000 bushels, part at 77c.@78c. for mixed Western; 76c.@76½c. for new White Southern; 76c.@77c. for new Yellow do., and 75c. for new Yellow Jersey, ⅌ busnel. Rye and Barley are unaltered. Oats are in request and are steady. We quote Canada at 55c.@56½c.; Western, 54c.@56c.; State, 48c.@51c.; Jersey and Pennsylvania, 45c.@48c. ⅌ bushel.

HAY—The demand is moderate, and prices are very firm. We quote North River at 65c.@70c., for shipment, and 75c.@85c. for local use, ⅌ 100 ℔s.

HEMP—Manila is in demand, within a range of from 6⅜c.@6½c. ⅌ bale, usual terms. Other kinds are inactive.

HIDES—Are in fair request at steady rates.

HOPS—Are quiet, yet firm. New, 10c.@17c.: Old, 5c.@7c. ⅌ ℔.

IRON—Is quiet and somewhat nominal; 100 tons Scotch Pig brought, in lots, $25@$25 50 ⅌ ton, usual credit.

LATHS—Eastern, $2 12½ ⅌ M.

LEAD—Is less sought after, yet it is stiffly held.

LEATHER—A good inquiry prevails for Sole at full prices.

MOLASSES—The market is quiet to-day, sales having been confined to 120 bbls. New-Orleans at 36c. ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Tar and Crude Turpentine are unchanged. Sales have been reported of 100 bbls. Spirits Turpentine at 48½c. ⅌ gallon; and 1,200 bbls. Common Resin at $1 50 ⅌ 310 ℔s.

OILS—Are rather quiet, yet quoted steady, to-day. Crude Whale, 54c.@56c.; Crude Sperm, $1 25@$1 28; Bleached Winter Whale, 64c.@65c.; Unbleached Winter Sperm, $1 30; Linseed, 62c.@64c.; Lard, 85c.@95c. ⅌ gallon; Palm, 9½c.@9¾c.; Tallow, 10c. ⅌ ℔.

Imports of Sperm and Whale Oil and Whalebone into the United States:

	Bbls. Sp.	Bbls Wh.	Lbs. Bone
Week ending Dec. 20	50	.....	8,100
Previously	80,110	186,496	1,492,300
Jan. 1 to Dec. 20, 1858	80,160	186,496	1,500,400
Jan. 1 to Dec. 7, 1857	77,368	231,455	2,023,600

PROVISIONS—Pork has been purchased to the extent of 1,100 bbls., in lots, at $18 12½ for new Mess; $18 15 for do., deliverable early in January; $17 50@$17 60 for old Mess; and $13 75 for Prime, ⅌ bbl. Cut Meats have been lightly dealt in, including Hams, at 9¼c.@9½c., Sides, at 8⅜c.@[illegible]c., Shoulders, at 6¼c.@6½c. ⅌ ℔. Bacon is inactive, chiefly at 8½c.@10c. ⅌ ℔. Lard is in fair demand, at uniform prices; sales 500 tcs. and bbls., at 11¼c.@11½c. ⅌ ℔. Beef is brisker and somewhat firmer. Sales, to-day, 850 bbls., in lots, at $8 50@$10 50 for repacked Western Mess; $10 62½@$11 50 for extra do.; $7 75@$9 for Country Mess; $6@$6 75 for do., Prime, ⅌ bbl.; Prime Mess Beef, $16@$19 ⅌ tc. Beef Hams, $13@$15 ⅌ bbl. Butter is salable and steady, at 12c.@19c. for Ohio; 16c.@22c. for common to good State, and 23c.@26c. for prime to choice State, ⅌ ℔. Cheese is in demand, at 8¼c.@9⅜c. ⅌ ℔.

RICE—Sales to-day 200 tcs., in lots, at from $3@$3 75 ⅌ 100 ℔s.

SUGARS—Have been more sought after at buoyant prices. Sales to-day 850 hhds. Cuba Muscovado, part at 6½c.@7c.; 200 hhds. New-Orleans at 7c.@7⅞c.; 150 hhds. Porto Rico at 6⅝c.@7⅜c.; 1,400 boxes Havana on private terms; and, by auction, 473 hhds. New-Orleans at 5⅞c.@6⅝c. ⅌ ℔.. usual terms.

WHISKY—Small sales have been reported at 25c. ⅌ gallon.

FREIGHTS—For Liverpool, there were engaged 400 bbls. Resin at 2s. 6d. For London, 100 tcs. Navy Beef at 5s. 9d.; 300 bb's. do. do. at 4s. 3d., and 300 bbls. Resin at 2s. 9d. For Antwerp, 1,000 bags Coffee at ⅜c. ⅌ ℔.; 150 bales Cotton at ⅜c. ⅌ ℔.; and 1,000 bbls. Resin at 3s. 3d. For New Orleans, 15,000 bushels Oats at 3½c. ⅌ bushel.

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With an elegant stock suitable for holiday presents. Proceeds for Aged and Infirm Institution, West 42d-st. Admission 25 cents, season tickets $1. Can be obtained at the Methodist Book Rooms, No. 200 Mulberry-st.; Wm. Hall & Son's Music Store, corner Broadway and Park-place; C. C. Leigh's China Store, No. 561 Broadway; M. W. Dodd, Publisher, No. 506 Broadway; S. Raynor's Book Store, No. 76 Bowery; J. L. Van Buskirk, No. 377 Greenwich-st., and at the door.

FAIR OF THE AMERICAN UNION,
No. 620 Broadway,
adjoining Laura Keene's Theatre.
MUSIC TO-NIGHT,
By ROBERTSON'S BAND.
Admittance 25 cents; children half price.

FAIR AT THE NEW TABERNACLE.—THE Ladies connected with the Broadway Tabernacle will open a FAIR, at the Social Rooms in the new Chapel at the corner of 34th-st. and Broadway, on THURSDAY NEXT, Dec. 23, to continue during the afternoon and evening of THURSDAY and FRIDAY. Visitors will find a choice variety of beautiful and useful fancy articles, suitable for Holiday Presents. Also, a neat assortment of Children's Clothing. Tickets of admission, 15 cents; to be had at the door.

FAIR.—THE LADIES OF CALVARY BAPTIST Church will hold a Fair for the sale of a large variety of useful and fancy articles, in the basement of the Church in West 23d-st., between 5th and 6th avs., commencing on THIS (Tuesday) EVENING, at 6 o'clock, and will be continued on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. The articles to be disposed of are suitable for Holiday Gifts, and are marked at reasonable prices. Admittance free.

LADIES' FAIR.—THE LADIES OF THE FREE Church of the Epiphany will hold a Fair, for the benefit of said Church, in the basement of the same, No. 130 Stanton st., between Essex and Norfolk sts., on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, and THURSDAY, Dec. 21, 22 and 23, from 11 A. M. to 10 P. M. The attendance and patronage of all friendly to the object are respectfully invited.

FAIR AT THE COOPER INSTITUTE—GRAND CLOSING-OUT SALE—Mr. JEFFERIS, of Bogert, Jefferis & Co., No. 104 Broadway, has kindly volunteered to sell at auction, on FRIDAY NIGHT, at 8 o'clock, all the fancy goods left on hand at the Fair for the benefit of Young Deaf Mutes.

FAIR OF THE SOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH at Dodworth's Rooms, No. 806 Broadway, Dec. 23 and 24. Open day and evening. Admission 25 cents. Music by Dodworth's Band.

THE LADIES' FAIR AT THE CHURCH OF the Epiphany, Stanton-st., will be kept open FRIDAY, through the day and evening.

A FAIR OF THE LADIES' BENEVOLENT Society of the Memorial Church will be held in the store No. 751 Broadway, near 8th-st., commencing on MONDAY, Dec. 20, and to continue during the week.

DANCING.

C. H. RIVERS',
DANCING ACADEMIES.
Halsey Buildings, No. 355 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.
Metropolitan Hall, No. 71 Newark-av., Jersey City.

Commencement of the second quarter; new classes are now forming. Mondays and Thursdays in Jersey City; Tuesdays and Fridays in Brooklyn. Soirées at the Brooklyn Academy every Wednesday evening.

A. DODWORTH'S
DANCING ACADEMIES,
No. 806 Broadway, New-York,
No. 137 Montague-place, Brooklyn,
NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON.
MONDAYS, THURSDAYS, TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS in Brooklyn.
WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS in New-York.
Afternoons for ladies and children.
Evenings for gentlemen.
Pupils may commence at any time.

MUSICAL BOXES.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER FOR SALE a very large and well-selected assortment of MUSICAL BOXES, expressly manufactured for them, by the best makers of Switzerland.

They have now on hand Boxes from the smallest to the largest size, playing from 2 to 24 tunes.
Forte-piano,
Mandoline, and
Expressive Musical Boxes.
Also some fine Boxes with
BELLS, DRUMS AND CASTAGNETTES.
PAILLARD & MARTIN,
Importers of Watches and Musical Boxes,
No. 21 Maiden-lane, up stairs,
New-York.
Musical Boxes repaired.

WINES AND LIQUORS.

CHAMPAGNES, CHAMPAGNES—FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—THE CELEBRATED AND SUPERIOR BRANDS OF CHAMPAGNE—LA PERLE AND RUBIS—FOR SALE BY JOHN J. DRUMMOND & CO., CORNER OF CANAL AND CHURCH STS.

THE BEST PLACE IN THE CITY TO BUY liquors is at the Old Fifteenth-street Rectifying Distillery, for you can get the best qualities of Brandy, Gin, Rum, Malt, Whisky, Wine or Cordial there cheaper and better than elsewhere. CHARLES WHITE, Proprietor No. 175 West 15th-st., near 8th-av.

CHAMPAGNES CHEAP FOR CASH.—100 baskets superior wine at $7 25 per basket, in pint bottles, for sale by G. E. MENDUM, No. 18 Wall st.

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ENAMELED CHAMBER FURNITURE,
In all colors, of superior and warranted manufacture, finished in landscape, fresco, fruit and flowers, at H. F. FARRINGTON'S, No. 368 Canal-st., opposite Wooster. Established 1848.

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WARREN WARD, No. 277 Canal-st., (old No. 83,)
Four doors east of Broadway, New-York.

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THE ONLY ARTICLE
UNRIVALLED IN MARKET,
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The reason why, is, that by Nature's own process it restores the natural color permanently after the hair becomes gray; supplies the natural fluids, and thus makes it grow on bald heads, removes all dandruff, itching and heat from the scalp, quiets and tones up the nerves, and thus cures all nervous headache, and may be relied on to cure all diseases of the scalp and hair; it will stop and keep it from falling off; makes it soft, glossy, healthy and beautiful, and if used by the young two or three times a week, it will never fall or become gray; then, reader, read the following and judge for yourselves:

New-York, Jan. 8, 1858.

Messrs. O. J. Wood & Co.:

Gentlemen: Having heard a good deal about Professor Wood's Hair Restorative, and my hair being quite gray, I made up my mind to lay aside the prejudices which I, in common with a great many persons, had against all manner of patent medicines, and a short time ago I commenced using your article, to test it for myself.

The result has been so very satisfactory that I am very glad I did so, and in justice to you, as well as for the encouragement of others who may be as gray as I was, but having my prejudice without my reasons for setting it aside, are unwilling to give your restorative a trial till they have further proof, and the best proof being ocular demonstration, I write you this letter, which you may show to any such, and also direct them to me for further proof, who am in and out of the New-York Wire-Railing Establishment every day.

My hair is now its natural color and much improved in appearance every way, being glossier and thicker and much more healthy looking. I am, yours respectfully,
HENRY JENKINS,
Corner Columbia and Carroll sts., Brooklyn.

Livingston, Ala., Feb. 14, 1858.

Prof. Wood—*Dear Sir*: Your Hair Restorative has done much good in this part of the country: My hair has been slightly diminishing for several years, caused, I suppose, from a slight burn when I was quite an infant. I have been using your Hair Restorative for six weeks and I find that I have a fine head of hair now growing after having used all other remedies known, to no effect. I think it the most valuable remedy now extant, and advise all who are afflicted that way to use your remedy.

You can publish this if you think proper. Yours, &c.,
S. W. MIDDLETON.

Philadelphia, Sept. 9, 1857.

Prof. Wood—*Dear Sir*: Your Hair Restorative is proving itself beneficial to me. The front, and also the back part of my head almost lost its covering—was in fact bald. I have used but two half-pint bottles of your Restorative, and now the top of my head is well studded with a promising crop of young hair, and the front is also receiving its benefit. I have tried other preparations without any benefit whatever. I think from my own personal recommendation, I can induce many others to try it.

Yours, respectfully, D. R. THOMAS, M. D.,
No. 464 Vine-st.

The Restorative is put up in bottles of three sizes, viz.: large, medium and small; the small holds half a pint, and retails for $1 per bottle; the medium holds at least twenty per cent. more in proportion than the small, retails for $2 per bottle; the large holds a quart, 40 per cent. more in proportion, and retails for $3 a bottle.

O. J. WOOD & CO., Proprietors, No. 312 Broadway, New-York, (in the great Wire-Railing Establishment,) and No. 114 Market-st., St. Louis, Mo.

And sold by all good Druggists and Fancy Goods dealers.

PAPER DOLLS, PAPER FURNITURE,
AND PAPER HOUSES.

The neatest, cheapest and most pleasing Holiday Gifts for little Girls to be found anywhere are the PAPER DOLLS, PAPER FURNITURE and PAPER HOUSES manufactured by the subscribers.

They consist of twelve numbers of Paper Dolls, (two of them just out.) Two numbers of Paper Furniture, one for the Bedroom and one for the Parlor, and three different styles of Paper Houses.

These houses are something quite new, and are really very elegant. One of them is two stories high, and one of them is printed to represent brick sides and brick chimney.

The rooms are beautifully carpeted and furnished, and a more pleasing effect for a child cannot be produced than by one of these houses, provided with a set of Furniture and some of the Dolls dressed and standing in the rooms of the house.

CLARK, AUSTIN & SMITH, No. 3 Park-row.

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GOODYEAR'S PATENT—TRADE NOTICE—All manufacturers and dealers in Suspenders, Garters, Shoe and other Webs, Tapes, Braids, Belts, Cords, Gloves, Wristlets and all similar goods, are informed that the exclusive license and ownership of the patent of C. Goodyear for Vulcanized Rubber applied in these fabrics, and many others, is in me, and all such goods sold without my name and authority is in violation of exclusive rights, adjudicated to be mine, and I must hold all parties, infringing, responsible.

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AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
GRAND CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.
Annual Performance of Handel's sublime Oratorio of
THE MESSIAH,
On CHRISTMAS NIGHT, Dec. 25, 1858,
by the
NEW-YORK HARMONIC SOCIETY,

On the same scale of grandeur which characterized the performances of the Society last season.

Tickets, 50 cents to all parts of the house, for sale at the principal Music Stores.

Reserved Seats, 50 cents extra; may be procured at Messrs. Hall & Son's, No. 239 Broadway, and at the office of the Academy.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE,
No. 624 Broadway,
TENTH WEEK
and
UNDIMINISHED SUCCESS
of
TOM TAYLOR'S GREAT ORIGINAL COMEDY,
which has achieved a greater success than any piece ever produced in New-York, having been performed for
NINE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS,
during which time it has been witnessed by more than
NINETY THOUSAND PEOPLE.

In consequence of this immense success, the management deem it simply necessary to announce it for
THIS EVENING,
AND EVERY NIGHT DURING THE WEEK.
OUR AMERICAN COUSIN.

Asa Trenchard	Jefferson	Lieut. Vernon	Levick
Lord Dundreary	Sothern	Florence	Miss Laura Keene
Coyle	Burnett	Augusta	Effie Germon
Abel Murcott	Couldock	Georgiana	Mrs. Sothern
Binney	Peters	Mary Meredith	Miss Stevens
Mrs. Mountchessington	Miss Mary Wells		

The Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. THOMAS BAKER, will perform for the first time a new Comic Polka, entitled
OUR AMERICAN COUSIN: Or, The Sneezing Polka,
together with a variety of Brilliant Operatic Selections.
To conclude with the celebrated farce,
A CAPTAIN 'S NOT A MISS.
Emily..........Miss Marion McCarthy
Supported by Messrs. Burnett, McDouall, Levick, Peters, Brown, and Misses Flynn and Couldock.
Dress Circle seats may be secured one week in advance, without extra charge, at 50 cents each.
Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7½ o'clock precisely.

NOTICE.
In order to afford ladies and children an opportunity of witnessing
OUR AMERICAN COUSIN,
the Management would respectfully announce
A GRAND AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE
of this successful comedy on
CHRISTMAS DAY,
SATURDAY, Dec. 25, 1858,
Doors open at 1; to commence at 2 o'clock.
Box book now open for the afternoon performance.
The management would respectfully announce, in aid of the
MOUNT VERNON FUND ASSOCIATION.
a grand afternoon performance of
OUR AMERICAN COUSIN,
on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 29, 1858.
The accomplished and versatile comedienne,
MISS LAURA KEENE,
Is engaged, and will appear on Monday, Dec. 27, 1858.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE.
GRAND AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE.
In consequence of many Ladies and Children, unaccompanied by gentlemen, having as yet been unable to obtain an opportunity of witnessing the performance of
OUR AMERICAN COUSIN.
This highly successful comedy will be presented for their accommodation on
CHRISTMAS DAY,
SATURDAY, Dec. 25, 1858.
Doors open at 1; to commence at 2 o'clock precisely.
Admission 50 cents; children 25 cents.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
GREATEST ARTISTIC TRIUMPH EVER ACHIEVED IN THIS CITY.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 24.
Notice.—Doors open at 6½ o'clock; to commence at 7 o'clock.
MR. WALLACK,
in a Shakesperian character, in which universal celebrity has been accorded him.
THE MERCHANT OF VENICE
will be produced for the occasion, with much of the original text of the great poet restored.
SCENERY AND COSTUMES
all new, and of the most superb description, and taken from
THE BEST ATTAINABLE AUTHORITY.

BURTON'S NEW THEATRE.
Under the management of J. Moore and Wayne Olwine.
THIS (Friday) EVENING,
Mr. BARRY SULLIVAN, in Moore's Tragedy of
THE GAMESTER,
with
Miss FANNY MORANT as Mrs. BEVERLY.
To conclude with
CAPT. CHARLOTTE.
TO-MORROW (day and night) CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL, with brilliant presentations.
UNCLE TOM'S CABIN, CHILDREN IN THE WOOD,
RICHARD III.,
And STAGE-STRUCK TAILOR.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
SANDS, NATHANS & CO.'S GREAT TROUPE OF ARTISTS.
Clowns..........Sam Lathrop and Tony Pastor
THIS EVENING, Dec. 24.
Will commence with
THE WILD RIDERS OF THE DESERT.
To conclude with THE MONKEY OF BRAZIL.

BOWERY THEATRE.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 24,
The performances will commence with
RUBE, THE RANGER.
After which,
PO-CA-HON-TAS.
To conclude with
TOM CRINGLE'S LOG.

PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATRE.
Chatham-st., near Roosevelt.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 24.
The entertainment to commence with a Drama entitled
ALARIC; Or, The Tyrant's Vault.
Alaric....Mr. J. B. Howe | Ianthe......Mrs. J. J. Prior
The whole to conclude with
THE WOMAN OF THE WORLD;
Or, A Peep at the
VICES AND VIRTUES OF COUNTRY AND CITY LIFE.

WOOD'S MINSTRELS,
Nos. 561 and 563 Broadway,
OPEN EVERY EVENING.
SELECT NEGRO MINSTRELSY,
By C. H. FOX, FRANK BROWER, C. WHITE, J. H. BUDWORTH, E. WARDEN, and the entire company.
With the much admired, new and original combination, entitled
SOUTHERN LIFE,
Illustrated by
ELEGANT LIVING TABLEAUX.
☞ On CHRISTMAS DAY,
A GRAND AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE,
Commencing at 2½ o'clock.
Tickets 25 cents. Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7½ o'clock.

ON EXHIBITION.
The magnificent painting belonging to
THE EMPRESS OF FRANCE,
And representing
HER MAJESTY,
Surrounded by the Ladies of her Court,
At Goupil's Gallery,
No. 366 Broadway,
Size of the picture, 15x11 feet.
Open from 8 A. M. to 7 P. M. Admission 25 cents.
M. KNOEDLER.
N. B.—Entrance through the store, as well as at the side door, where a large and commodious staircase has been opened.

GREAT CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL
BY
OUR AMERICAN CHILDREN,
THE
MOST WONDERFUL TROUPE OF JUVENILE VOCALISTS
In the World,
At Hope Chapel, on SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 25.
Cards of admission only 25 cents.

GREAT FAIR AND EXHIBITION
of the
AMERICAN UNION,
At No. 620 Broadway,
NOW OPEN.
Admittance 25 cents; children half price.

WHO'S THE CHAMPION?

All gentlemen that compete for the Banjo, at Hoym's Theatre, on CHRISTMAS EVE, (to-night,) are to play a medley of five tunes, and gentlemen that are competitors for the pitcher are to dance a square strait jig, and appear in dancing costume. The following are the names of the competitors for banjo and pitcher:

BANJO.	PITCHER.
Charley Ploomer,	Mickey Warren,
Sam Madden,	J. Thompson,
Andrew Levet,	W. Dwyer,
F. Williams,	Daddy Sarrasee,
J. Bogan,	J. Bogan,
W. Thompson,	F. Coltman,
E. W. Smith,	A. Dorey,
C. Reied.	Master Preston.
	Master Florence,
	C. Mason,
	W. H. Sharp,
	W. Dodd.

Gentlemen engaged must call at the theatre at 3 o'clock to-day, (Friday,) for tickets to admit them on the stage. Doors open at 6½ o'clock; performance to commence at 7½ precisely.
DOBSON & PERRINE.

PROFESSOR BARTOLETI'S
INDUSTRIOUS FLEAS,
Now on exhibition, at No. 599 Broadway.

These Fleas, now exhibited for the first time in America, are all tamed and trained, and perform the most wonderful feats, such as driving mills, drawing cars, working the California gold-mines, &c., &c. Now on exhibition at 599 Broadway, 1st floor, room 2. Open from 12 o'clock M. till 10 o'clock P. M. Admission 25 cents.

BANVARD'S
GREAT MECHANICAL PICTURE,
THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM,
Now open at the new hall on Broadway, near Bleecker-st. Also, the FAR-FAMED PANORAMA OF THE HOLY LAND, every Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at 3 o'clock; every evening at 7¼. Admission 25 cents; Children 13 cents.

THE GREAT HOLIDAY ATTRACTIONS OVER ONE HUNDRED MAGNIFICENT PAINTINGS At the Dusseldorf Gallery. Also, a new painting by Flagg, entitled,
THE LANDING OF THE ATLANTIC CABLE.
Admission to the whole, 25 cents.
Open day and evening, including Christmas. No. 548 Broadway.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
ORATORIO OF THE MESSIAH.
CHRISTMAS NIGHT.
Reserved seats may be had at Messrs. HALL & SONS, No. 239 Broadway.

TO-NIGHT—TO-NIGHT—TO-NIGHT.
CHRISTMAS EVE—CHRISTMAS EVE
Is the great champion contest for the
PRIZE BANJO AND SILVER PITCHER!
A splendid silver-mounted Banjo, valued at $100, will be presented to the best player; also, a massive Silver Pitcher, valued at $40, to the best jig dancer. Hoym's Theatre. Tickets for sale at Horace Waters', No. 333 Broadway, where the prizes can be seen.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL OF THE CENTRAL M. E. Church, 7th-av., between 13th and 14th sts., will hold their Second Anniversary on CHRISTMAS EVENING, commencing at 6½ o'clock precisely. The exercises will consist of singing and dialogues by the scholars, an address by the Rev. Abel Stevens, D. D., and distribution of Christmas presents.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 24,
(Christmas Eve,)
GRAND MONSTER
PROMENADE CONCERT,
MAMMOTH ORCHESTRA.
Under the united direction of
MUSARD
and
CARL BERGMANN,
when the Splendid Decorations of the
MOUNT VERNON BALL
will be retained.
On this occasion,
HAYDN'S GREAT CHRISTMAS SYMPHONY
will be performed, with solos for toy instruments.
PROGRAMME.
PART I.
1. Overture to Der Freyschutz..........Weber
2. Cuckoo Polka..........Herzog
3. Kroll's Ball Klange Waltz (waltz with bells)..Lumbye
4. Les Echo Quadrille..........Musard
5. Grand March..........Litolf
PART II.
1. Overture (William Tell)..........Rossini
2. Express Railroad Galop..........Musard
3. Solo on airs from "Lucia" for cornet a-piston.....Levendre
4. Les Zouaves Quadrille..........Musard
5. Haydn's celebrated
CHRISTMAS SYMPHONY,
with solos for toy instruments.
PART III.
1. Overture (Fra Diavolo)..........Auber
2. Gotham Quadrille, concluding with a grand finale of the Electric Telegraph Potpourri, introducing 30 different airs..........Musard
3. Mount Vernon Polka..........Musard
4. Grand Galop..........Prim
ADMISSION TWENTY-FIVE CENTS
to all parts of the house.
NO RESERVED SEATS.
Tickets may be obtained at Hall & Son's, Breusing's, Scharfenburg & Luis', at the principal hotels, and at the ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
Doors open at 7; to commence at 8 o'clock.

CHRISTMAS, CHRISTMAS, CHRISTMAS.—The most elegant and entertaining place of resort for the Holidays is the Dusseldorf Gallery. Magnificent Paintings from Dusseldorf; also, the new picture of the Landing of the Atlantic Cable. Open day and evening, at No. 548 Broadway. Admission, 25 cents.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM.—NEW COMIC PANTOMIME, by the inimitable troupe of Zavistowski Children, FRIDAY, Dec. 24, AFTERNOON, at 3—EVENING, 7½ o'clock. LA FETE DANSANTE. By the Zavistowski Troupe. Succeeded by WOMAN; HER FAITH, HOPE AND TRIALS, by the Wren Juvenile Comedians; followed by the New, Original, Comical, Musical, Pantomimical, Artistical, Grand Whimsicality, with New Scenery, New Dresses, Properties, Decorations, Tricks, &c., for CUPID AND HIS FROLICS. M. Fabien, proprietaire. George; Pierre Griff, La Petite Emmeline; Cupid, Infant Alice, Fairies, Mortals, Citizens, &c., by the Zavistowski troupe and auxiliaries. The famous Aquaria, Happy Family, to be seen at the same time. Admittance 25 cents; Children under ten, 13 cents.

HOLIDAY WEEK! DUSSELDORF GALLERY!!

Open day and evening on Christmas. Flagg's new picture "The Landing of the Atlantic Cable," and over One Hundred Superb Dusseldorf Pictures.
Admission 25 cents. No. 548 Broadway.

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL BALL OF the New-York Fire Department, for the benefit of the Widow and Orphan Fund, will take place at the Academy of Music, on MONDAY EVENING, Jan. 24, 1859. Tickets may be procured of the Managers, or of the following officers: HENRY A. BURR, President, corner of Cliff and Frankfort sts; JAMES F. WENMAN, Secretary, No. 146 Pearl-st.; PETER H. TITUS, Treasurer, No. 30 Market-st.

IK. MARVEL.
DONALD G. MITCHELL, ESQ.,
will lecture before the Gillette Young Men's Association, at the Calvary Baptist Church, West 23d st., between 5th and 6th avs., on WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 29. Doors open at 7 o'clock; lecture commences at 7¾ o'clock. Subject—*Money Spending.* Tickets 25 cents each, to be had at Wm. Hall & Son's music store, No. 239 Broadway; George Sibell, stationer, No. 20 Wall-st.; C. Scribner's bookstore, No. 124 Grand-st.; A. D. F. Randolph's bookstore, No. 683 Broadway; T. T. Green, druggist, corner 14th-st. and Broadway; A. M. Concklin, druggist, corner 34th-st. and Broadway, and at the door.
THOMAS R. REDWAY,
Chairman Lecture Committee.

CHRISTMAS AT THE HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS.—The friends of the Home, who would like to witness the exercises of the children on CHRISTMAS, are cordially invited to meet at the Home Chapel, No. 29 East 29th-st., on the 25th inst., from 3 to 8 o'clock P. M. The trees will be stripped at 7 o'clock, and their contents distributed among some three hundred or more eager expectants, who deserve to be made as happy on Christmas as the children of better fortune.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

FURS FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS!
J. D. PHILLIPS & CO.,
No. 60 Broadway, corner Exchange-place,
Beg most respectfully to announce that they will this day throw open their
WHOLESALE
in addition to their
RETAIL DEPARTMENT,
for the purpose of closing out the balance of their stock, comprising a large assortment of
LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S FURS.
Those desiring to make presents for the holidays will find a great opportunity to buy a handsome set of Furs at extraordinary low prices.

HOLIDAY GIFTS.
HANDSOME AND
CHEAP.

Silver-plated tea-sets, 6 pieces	$19 50
Silver-plated tea-kettles	9 50
Silver-plated cake baskets	5 00
Silver-plated castors, 6 cut bottles	4 50
Silver-plated table spoons, the dozen	3 50
Silver-plated table forks, the dozen	3 75

ALSO,
An immense variety of
BRONZE FIGURES,
BRONZE CLOCKS,
PARIAN FIGURES,
CHINA VASES, &c., &c.
At a very small advance on their cost price.
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JELLIES FOR HOLIDAY TABLES.
PETER COOPER'S
REFINED
SHEET AND SHRED ISINGLASS.
A PRIME ARTICLE,
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CALVES' FOOT JELLY,
BLANC MANGE, TABLE AND WINE JELLIES,
and for
JELLIFYING PRESERVES.
The Shred, with directions for using, is put up in small packages for family use, and is sold by all the principal Grocers and Druggists throughout the United States.
PETER COOPER, No. 17 Burling-slip, New-York.

HOLIDAY CARD,
REDUCTION OF PRICES.
A large and well-assorted stock of
LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S FURS
of every grade. Splendid sets (complete) from $10 to $30. Misses', Boys' and Infants' plain and fancy Hats and Caps of the most fashionable patterns. Gents' Hats and Caps of every style and quality. The Holiday Hat is a superb article, and recommends itself to every person of taste.
KELLOGG, Manufacturer, No. 381 Canal-st.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
An assortment of Sheffield and Birmingham plated goods; &c., below cost, at
No. 58 Beekman-st., up stairs.

HOLIDAY TRADE.
Plated Urns, Tea Sets, Cordial Stands, Waiters, Cake Baskets, Butter Coolers, Sugar Baskets, Spoons and Forks, &c., &c.
FINE PLATED ON STEEL TABLE CUTLERY,
Manufactured and for sale by the
MANHATTAN PLATE COMPANY.
Office and Sample Room
No. 22 John-st.

PRESENTS.
A lot of fine English plate for sale at a sacrifice, to close consignments, at No. 58 Beekman-st.,
Up stairs.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
Appropriate Holiday Presents at No. 297 Broadway. A splendid assortment of neat and safe Pistols, Revolvers, weighing only 10 ounces each; Cannons, Pocket Knives, single and double Guns, Rifles, &c., &c., of the best quality. B. J. HART & BROS., No. 297 Broadway.

ENGLISH PLATED GOODS.
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Ocean Mail Steamers.

The European mails by the *Arabia*, from Boston to Liverpool on Wednesday, Dec. 29, will close at the New-York Post-office on the preceding Tuesday afternoon, to go by railroad at 1½ o'clock, and to go by steamboat at 3 o'clock.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The steamship *Pacific*, with European advices five days later, arrived at St. Johns, N. F., yesterday, from Galway on the evening of the 9th inst., *en route* for New-York. Her news is quite interesting. A general meeting of the shareholders of the Atlantic Telegraph was called for the 15th inst., to consider the condition of affairs, and Lord DERBY acknowledges the receipt of a memorial praying for further Government aid for the enterprise. The question would be decided in a few days. It was thought that a new capital would be guaranteed by the Government, in which case a contract for a new cable would be made immediately. The French Government have decided to allow the appeal of MONTALEMBERT to come before the Superior Court, but it is understood the answer to it will simply be the Emperor's pardon. A treaty, similar to that made by England, had been concluded with Japan by France. At the opening of the Spanish Cortes, the Queen, in her speech, said that everything compatible with national dignity was being done to bring the Mexican question to a peaceful solution, but that if an immediate result was not obtained, energetic measures would be resorted to. A serious collision had occurred in the English Channel between the steamship *Ceylon* and the American ship *Waban*, in which the latter was seriously damaged, and lost overboard her first officer and one seaman. The Bank of England has at length reduced its rate of discount one-half per cent. A further decline is noticed in all qualities of cotton. Breadstuffs and provisions continue exceedingly dull. Consols at noon of the 9th were quoted at 96⅝@96¾, ex dividend.

By the arrival of the steamship *Quaker City* at New-Orleans, we have news from California to the 6th. The steamship *Golden Gate*, which also left San Francisco on the 6th to connect with the steamship from Aspinwall for New-York, had on board $1,833,000 in treasure, $333,000 of which was for England. The steamship *Hermann* had arrived at San Francisco on the 27th ult. Business continued quiet. There is considerable news of interest by this arrival, a summary of which will be found under our telegraphic head.

Yesterday was the last day of Congress for the year 1858, both branches having adjourned over until the 4th of January. In the Senate, a bill was introduced by Mr. CRITTENDEN, of Kentucky, and referred to the Judiciary Committee, regulating the manner of the election of U. S. Senators. The creditors of Texas had the time within which they must present their claims extended to Jan. 1, 1862. An attempt was made to bring up the Agricultural College bill, but it failed. It was voted to give a pension of $30 to the widow and family of Col. TRUMBULL. The Senate, on reassembling, will occupy their new Hall. In the House, a large number of bills and resolutions, on a variety of subjects, were introduced, and referred to the appropriate Committees. A Special Committee of five, on motion of Mr. TAYLOR, of New-York, was ordered to investigate the accounts of the late Superintendent of Public Printing. The Committee of Ways and Means were instructed, on motion of Mr. TAYLOR, of Louisiana, to inquire into the expediency of repealing the act limiting the sum at which small coin shall be legal tender. Mr. BLAIR, of Missouri, asked, but did not obtain, leave to introduce a resolution declaring the decision of the Supreme Court in the Dred Scott case extra-judicial, illegal and void, and asserting that Congress should vindicate its right to legislate on Slavery in the territories. The Civil, Naval, and Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bills were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means.

In connection with the confirmation of the naval restorations in Executive Session of the Senate on Wednesday, after the reopening of the doors, a joint resolution was passed creating temporarily the brevet grade of Admiral in the United States Navy, with a view to confer it on Commodore CHARLES STEWART, the oldest officer in the service, as a recompense for having been wrongfully treated by the Naval Retiring Board. The rank is to be abolished after his death.

Among the numerous bills introduced in the House yesterday was one by Mr. BRANCH, of North Carolina, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, which provides for negotiations with Spain for the purchase of Cuba. It appropriates one million of dollars to enable the President to conclude with Spain a treaty of amity, and for the settlement of all differences, to be used by him, if he thinks fit, in advance of the ratification of such treaty by the Senate. If the money is not in the Treasury at the time payment is required, the President is authorized to borrow it.

The Administration is said to have received intelligence that another fillibuster expedition is being fitted out at New-Orleans, and that vigilance is therefore enjoined upon the Federal officials in that quarter.

Forefathers' Day was celebrated in Massachusetts with great enthusiasm. At Plymouth, the public exercises differed from the customary usage; Mr. EVERETT's Oration on Washington being substituted for the ceremonies which have hitherto taken place. The Oration was delivered in Davis' Hall, before a very large audience, and was prefaced by a few remarks from Mr. EVERETT, suitable to the occasion. The "Standish Guards" turned out on parade. In Boston, the day was celebrated by the Massachusetts Historical Society. The Hon. ROBERT C. WINTHROP made an address, and sundry historical incidents were narrated by different gentlemen.

In the U. S. District Court yesterday, before Judge BETTS and a Jury, a libel case of some importance was tried, involving a large quantity of cigars imported by ALVAREZ HEIN, in March last, in the brig *Lyra*, from Havana, and seized by the Collector on the ground of an under-valuation in their invoice. The Jury, after a considerable absence, were unable to agree, and were discharged. In another case tried before the same Court, involving a hundred kegs of emery, imported from London in September, 1856, and seized for under-valuation, the Jury rendered a verdict in favor of the claimants, and the goods were forfeited to the United States. In the U. S. Circuit Court, before Judge INGERSOLL, the Grand Jury brought in indictments against part of the crew of the ship *Lingara* for revolt and mutiny; against JOHN B. MCCOMBA and four others for voluntarily serving on board the slaver *Haides*. The Grand Jury threw out a bill against the boy MATTHEW TAYLOR, who was sent here by our Consul at Bermuda, charged with committing a murder on board the *Cerro Gordo*.

In the Court of General Sessions yesterday, PATRICK GUNNING, ARCHIBALD BROWN and JOHN KERRIGAN, indicted for an outrage on a girl named MARY GALLOWAY, on the night of Nov. 17, in a stable at the corner of Seventeenth-street and First-avenue, were placed on trial. The case has attracted much attention, but the nature of the testimony yesterday was such as greatly to diminish sympathy for the complainant. The Jury, after brief consultation, returned a verdict of guilty of simple assault and battery only. Another case of outrage on a female, named MARGARET O'NEIL, was also tried, the defendants being BERNARD SMITH and PATRICK HEFFERMAN. The Jury had not agreed at a late hour. JAMES STEPHENS, indicted for poisoning his wife, was arraigned, and pleaded "Not guilty." His lawyer, the Corporation Counsel, allowed the District-Attorney to transfer the trial to the Court of Oyer and Terminer, and then moved for the issue of a commission to examine certain parties in Ireland, whose testimony, Mr. BUSTEED alleged, was of material importance to the interests of his client.

The investigation in the case of WOOD, EDDY & Co., alleged lottery dealers, was concluded yesterday. One more witness was examined. A motion to dismiss the complaint was denied, and counsel summed up. Judge RUSSELL reserved his decision till Thursday next.

The day closed wet and disagreeable yesterday, but it opened fine and pleasant, and the whole City alive with preparatious for the holidays. Broadway looked like a carnival.

PETE DAWSON, ex-King of our Fourth Ward was sentenced, yesterday, by Judge MORRIS, of Brooklyn, to nine years and six months in the Penitentiary, for his late assault and battery. The prisoner seemed to be very much surprised and affected by the sentence. He had evidently anticipated a slight punishment only.

Signor ALBERTO MARIO addressed his countrymen resident in this City, last evening, on "Italy and her Prospects." He eloquently set forth the prospects of the coming revolution, discussed the course to be pursued by the revolutionists to secure a union of homogeneous elements, the banner they should rally under, and the rational hopes of success.

The reports of the massacre of a mail party near Albuquerque are discredited. The news came through a party of Pueblo Indians, but recent letters from Santa Fé fail to establish the truth of the report.

Testimony was taken at Boston on Wednesday in the equity cases of GEORGE PEABODY and others against LAWRENCE, STONE & Co.—the plaintiffs setting forth that they advanced to SAMUEL LAWRENCE in London the sum of $100,000, to enable him to pay for wool which he had purchased, and that he agreed to hold the wool in trust as security for the advance. The plaintiffs have also commenced a suit to recover the value of the wool.

There is a fugitive-slave excitement in Nebraska. A Missouri slaveholder, named NUCKOLLS, recently removed to that Territory with a number of slaves, and established himself at Omaha. The slaves suddenly left him, crossing the river and finding refuge in Iowa. The master and some seventy-five other men in Omaha threatened to cross over after them, and execute summary vengeance upon the parties who are charged with harboring the fugitives, but at last accounts nothing of a serious nature had happened.

The schooner *Sally Badger*, of Pittston, Maine, washed ashore at Scituate, Mass., on Wednesday night, and it is supposed that all hands were lost. One body was picked up on the beach.

The Hon. CHARLES B. PHELPS, of Connecticut, died at Roxbury, in that State, Dec. 21. He was successively member of the Connecticut Legislature, Judge, and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State.

The Savannah *Republican* has the following in relation to the *Wanderer* affair: "It is now pretty generally believed that the *Wanderer*, which is a very small vessel, brought over no slaves, but was simply a consort or decoy on the passage, and was used for landing the cargo from the main ship, which remained out at sea and was scuttled so soon as her freight was discharged. We feel quite confident in stating that the account of the *Wanderer's* having brought over a select lot of eighty slaves, which sold readily on their arrival at $700 each, has no foundation in fact."

The sales of Cotton, yesterday, were only 1,000 bales, at former rates. Flour was moderately dealt in;—while for Wheat and Corn, as well as for Sugars, a better inquiry prevailed. Coffee, Provisions, Rice, Naval Stores, and Freights, were rather quiet.

The Pacific Railroad Again.

Compromises are charming devices, the design of which usually is to conciliate two opposite interests by destroying the value of each. Nothing more delights your average statesman than to achieve such a triumph; and compromise-making has accordingly made the political fortune of several illustrious men in modern times and in various countries. It is not surprising, therefore, we suppose, that Mr. SEWARD, who has never been thought to look with much favor upon this branch of intellectual industry, should at last have been tempted into trying his powerful hand upon it. He has certainly produced a capital specimen of the manufacture.

Mr. SEWARD, on Tuesday morning, made one of his masterly and argumentative speeches in the Senate, on behalf of the Pacific Railroad. In the course of this speech he set forth most effectively and truly the importance of the road to the interests and the institutions of the country, and declared it to be the duty of the Government to take the burden of the work at once upon its own shoulders. Now, nothing can be more clear in the theory of our political system than this—that the Government of the United States is never to undertake any great work of internal improvement which can be successfully carried out by individual effort. Mr. SEWARD himself is as strongly opposed, we believe, as any man can be, to all unnecessary extensions of Government influence and Presidential patronage. Certainly, then, we have a right to infer from Mr. SEWARD's advocacy of Government action in this matter, that he believes it to be impossible, or at least highly improbable, that any private company or companies should be found or formed upon which the duty of constructing the road can be safely imposed. Either the road can be built without the aid of the Government or it cannot be. If it can be so built, then the project of raising an immense national loan for the purpose of constructing it, and of confiding that loan to a new bureau at Washington, which is to be created for the special purpose of expending this vast sum of money, and managing this colossal enterprise, should be forthwith scouted out of Congress as something worse than an absurdity. Mr. SEWARD, however, does not think this possible—nor do we. But Mr. SEWARD, after reciting his reasons for the faith that is in him—and irrefragable reasons they are—goes on to agree that the road shall be built by the parties who cannot build it. That is, by the very private companies whose incompetency to the work lies at the root of his argument in favor of Government action! And here we take issue with our distinguished Senator.

His compromise is a very pretty and perfect compromise. Adopt it, and you will never hear anything more of the Pacific Railroad as a fact in the earth. As a *fancy* in Wall-street, however, we shall all of us hear a great deal more of it than will be either pleasant or profitable, should this notable scheme be erected into a law of the land, and the business which Government alone can do be handed over to the companies who cannot do it. The programme of these Pacific Railroad Companiese that are to be is not particularly novel. We seem to ourselves to have heard before this time of magnificent lines of railroad, that were to be carried through vast tracts of splendid but unsettled territory, on the basis of Government grants of land—with reserved sections—with hypothecations of small kingdoms—with civilization bubbling up about every mile-stone, and the desert blossoming over every sleeper on the marvelous way. All the superb paraphernalia now paraded in front of the new Pacific Companies have played their part in other pageants not less brilliant—not less beautiful. And what has come of it all? What are the fruits of all this fair promising—where the final resting-place of all this grand procession of engagements, advantages and financial temptations?

In matters economical as in all other matters of a sublunary kind, we fear that an ounce of history will always be found to be worth more than many pounds of prophecy. And when we read the Stock-lists of to-day, and remember as we read what those Stock-lists used to tell us, for instance, of that great Illinois Central Railroad which was to be the one financial triumph of the times, we cannot see therein much hope for the new brood of shining projects which the Senate now proposes to let loose upon the land.

It is indeed mere midsummer madness, or something worse, to talk of organizing another crusade upon the pockets of mankind under the guise of building the great national work of a Pacific Road. Rash and thoughtless, and reckless of experience as most men are, the severe lessons of the railroad delusions, which have brought so much misery upon the country during the last few years, have not yet been forgotten. In truth, they have not yet been fully read to us. There are a few more "railway clouds" still lowering along the financial horizon, which must break upon us in the immediate future. To imagine that, in the face of these disasters, past, present, and at hand, anything like a sound and successful organization of private capital for the purpose of building a gigantic railway—which must for years be virtually a burden upon its proprietors—can be accomplished, is utterly idle. The only result that can possibly follow from calling half-a-dozen Pacific Railway Companies into being with the sanetion of the Government, will be a momentary gush of speculation, followed at no long interval of time by the undoing of thousands of innocent and unthinking and ignorant persons.

The whole Railway interest of the United States has much lost ground to recover. It has to learn to take care of itself: to become a *business*, in the practical sense of that word; to find out that economy is worth all the kite-flying in the world; to discover that wood is more expensive than coal; that bad rails really cost more than good ones; that one Manager, who is a manager, a more important person than sixty Directors, who never direct. It has, in short, a character to reëstablish—a colossal property to rescue from depreciation and ruin—a new world to conquer.

If the Pacific Railroad is to be built, it will not be at the Stock Exchange that the money for building it will be found. To send it there in search of funds will be not only to demolish the project itself, but to demoralize the country with new materials and opportunities for baseless speculation. If the Government, on the other hand, should undertake the work, it would not only secure the building of the road within a reasonable time, but contribute materially to the restoration of financial confidence throughout the country, by furnishing a new and secure basis for the investment of funds. The very circumstances which make the idea of founding new railway companies on such a scale, and for such a purpose ridiculous, would assure the success of a Government loan judiciously created. There has rarely been an epoch in our history at which the sums necessary for such an enterprise as this could have been secured by the American Government on such terms as it could now command. Nor is this all. What could afford a more striking evidence of the real unity and harmony by which the nation beneath all the conflict of passions, parties and sections is animated, than the coöperation of all the States in a serious expenditure for the achievement of a work invaluable to the whole Union? From whatever point of view we contemplate it, the plan of building the Pacific Railroad by Government action alone, possesses many striking advantages over the projects of private enterprise. But its decisive advantage certainly is this: That it is a *practicable* plan, and the only practicable plan within the compass of the nation. If the road is to be built, this is the way in which to build it. If not, then let us hear no more of the matter.

The Revival of Piracy.

Our readers do not need to be informed that we have been slow to put faith in the alleged revival of the Slave-trade on the shores of this country, and within the limits of one of the thirteen States which formed the original Union of the American colonies.

The experience of the last ten years had indeed prepared us to expect all conceivable forms of lawless folly from the selfishness and the recklessness of certain parties and sections in the United States. We had become familiar, wretchedly familiar, with denunciations of the Constitution under which we live, and of the band which binds together the grand divisions of this magnificent empire of ours, and gives to us the place we hold among the nations of the earth. We had learned to bear with revelations of fanaticism and falsehood in quarters from which we had a right to look for loyalty and common sense. We had seen misguided men array themselves in arms to compel the acquiescence of independent American citizens in pretended laws which they repudiated, and in institutions upon which they had set the seal of their legitimate condemnation. We had even listened with forbearance to the declamations of men who, like the foreign outlaw MITCHEL, were prepared to overturn the pillars of our jurisprudence, and to reverse the policy bequeathed to us by the founders of the Republic.

But we certainly shrink from the supposition that in any portion of our common country responsible men—responsible by their position for the character of the community in which they lived as well as for their own—could be found to acquiesce in the open practice of a traffic branded as piracy by the constitutional authorities of America, as well as by the public opinion of the civilized world.

With every day's mail that reaches us from the Southern States, this hesitation is fast resolving itself into the most deplorable certainty. By the common consent of the Press of Georgia, we are now called upon to believe that this State—the State of OGLETHORPE, the State of WHITFIELD's and of WESLEY's special labor,—the one State of all the South which has heretofore claimed and held the proudest position in the van of law-abiding, orderly, loyal adherence to the principles which have made, and which alone can maintain us a nation, has assumed the damning responsibility of indorsing afresh the most accursed system of organized inhumanity which has ever afflicted the earth.

Meanwhile our Washington correspondents blandly assure us that the "case of the *Wanderer* has not excited much attention" in the national Capital—and this, although the State of Georgia is represented in the national councils and in one of the highest offices of the Cabinet, by one of her most conspicuous sons!

We are neither alarmists nor agitators. We have been glad to believe that the practical defeat of their purposes sustained by the extremists of the South on the question of Kansas, had restored a tone of statesmanship and practical good sense to the leaders of Southern opinion. But if this atrocious story of the *Wanderer* and her satellites be indeed founded in fact; if it be indeed the truth that Georgia has seen accepted, and sanctioned by the sentiment of her Press and her people this madness and villainy of senseless men; then we are destined to see an agitation, and to deal with alarms, far more sternly formidable than anything we have yet disposed of. The people of the United States are not ready to eat the words of WASHINGTON, and to go backward in the faith of Freedom. They spoke their mind two years ago in tones which it will not be safe for any man to forget or to disregard. And however the Senate may for the moment put on one side Mr. SEWARD's motion for an inquiry into the truth of this detestable allegation, the people of the United States will press that inquiry, with an urgency not to be denied, till they have learned precisely what they have to deal with and upon what they have to count in the policy of the fast coming future.

The Tucker War.

Valor is a very excellent commodity, and is all the better for being mingled with a little common sense. Dr. J. C. TUCKER is probably a valiant man:—we wish we could add with truth that he is also sensible. It is possible he may be, but he certainly has a very odd way of showing it. So awkward are his demonstrations in the matter, that even his courage runs some risk of serious impeachment. He *publishes*, in yesterday's TIMES, a challenge to Mr. SICKLES, having first kindly notified him of his intention so to do, and advised him to read it out of the State, unless he *desired* to be arrested. Pray, why should Mr. SICKLES be arrested for reading whatever Dr. TUCKER may publish, *within* the State? Certainly it is not illegal, however painful it may be, to read the Doctor's effusions within the limits of the Commonwealth. The idea of Mr. SICKLES taking the railroad and flying into some remote and secluded corner of the Union, for the purpose of reading his morning newspaper, is slightly ludicrous.

Dr TUCKER is under the impression that Mr. SICKLES attacked the honor of the Tucker family in general, in his speech at Niblo's, on the 2d inst., and, as a member of that family, he is naturally desirous to vindicate its character. He resolves to call Mr. SICKLES to account for the supposed outrage. According to all the codes of honor of which we have any knowledge, he should have demanded from Mr. SICKLES an explanation or apology,—and that in terms of sufficient courtesy to permit a reply. If the explanation proved to be insufficient, or the proper apology was refused, then it would have been quite time enough for the demand of redress. Instead of this, Dr. TUCKER sends a *quasi* challenge based on a mysterious memorandum, which is submitted for the purpose of explanation. The challenge, of course, rendered explanation out of the question,—and it was only after this note had been withdrawn that such explanation became possible. Having thus repaired his original blunder, Dr. TUCKER was in a position to begin anew, and was asked by Mr. BUTTERWORTH, the friend of Mr. SICKLES, what charge he had to bring against him. If the Doctor had thereupon specified the language on the part of Mr. SICKLES of which he complained, he would have compelled Mr. S. to give him either an explanation or satisfaction. Mr. SICKLES could not have avoided disavowing the alleged offence, or meeting the direct demand for redress.

But strangely enough just there the matter was dropped. Neither Dr. TUCKER nor his friend made any reply to Mr. BUTTERWORTH's inquiry. No request was made for delay nor any intimation given that the correspondence was to be renewed. After eleven days had elapsed, a paragraph makes its appearance in a City paper wholly misrepresenting the affair,—whereupon Mr. SICKLES hands the correspondence to the Press for publication. It may, perhaps, be questioned whether he was quite justified in so doing or not,—though the long time that had elapsed and the apparent determination of Dr. T. to drop the affair entirely go far to vindicate his course. But Dr. TUCKER's course in *publishing a challenge* to Mr. SICKLES is perfectly absurd, and renders its acceptance utterly impossible. All he has effected by it is to render himself amenable to the law and liable to arrest at any moment.

The whole affair as it stands is ridiculous. Dr. TUCKER, so far as we can see, has no cause of quarrel with Mr. SICKLES. So far as any published remarks of the latter are concerned they relate solely to the Doctor's brother, our Secretary of State. Towards him Mr. SICKLES has been offensively and ostentatiously personal throughout the whole of the recent canvass. But, so far as we recollect, he has made no attack upon the character or honor of any other member of the family. Indeed, in a card which has reached us since the above was written, Mr. S. expressly disavows any imputation upon any TUCKER except GIDEON, to whom he holds himself responsible.

AN AMERICAN ADMIRAL AT LAST.—The result of that hasty and ill-considered act authorizing the creation of the Naval Retiring Board, is just what might have been anticipated as the natural reaction of a piece of gross injustice. Half a million of dollars is a very moderate estimate of the cost to the country of the action of the famous bill for improving the condition of the Navy, while the good accomplished is naught. Nearly all the officers who were furloughed, retired or dropped, have been restored, and a special honor is to be bestowed upon Commodore STEWART, as a compensation for the wrong done him by the Retiring Board.

The history of this troublesome affair will not be without its profit, however, if it only serve as a lesson to Congress against hasty and careless legislation. The bill authorizing the creation of the "Retiring Board" was a pet scheme of Senator MALLORY, Chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs, and was rushed through both Houses at the close of Congress without any debate upon its merits, or the object of it being understood by those who voted for it.

The final result is the absurdity of conferring a brevet title on the oldest officer of the Navy, of a rank which does not exist—the same kind of a scurvy compliment which was paid to General SCOTT. A law is to be passed conferring the empty title of Brevet-Admiral on an officer, at whose decease it is to be abolished. There is to be no increased pay to accompany the title, and a more unsubstantial honor was never conferred for substantial services.

We hope that the Senator who proposed to confer the title of Brevet-Admiral on Captain STEWART, will explain how there can be a brevet to a title which has no existence, which has neither position, duties, nor pay assigned to it. The title of Commodore, which our older Captains enjoy, is one merely of courtesy, which is not even recognized by law, and which is never used officially. If the title of Admiral is to be created, it would be well to make the rank of Commodore intermediate between those of Captain and Admiral.

Official Solicitude.

The Washington *Union* seems to be suffering very acutely under the conviction that there is not much probability of Mr. BUCHANAN's being able to enforce the laws against the Slave-trade by the aid of Southern juries. The lamentations it pours forth upon the subject are really quite pitiable, and are almost vehement enough to delude us into the belief that they are sincere. By the proceedings in the *Echo* case, it finds itself driven very reluctantly into the conclusion that "our institutions have failed;" and this it pronounces to be "a great radical fundamental misfortune"—"fundamental," it adds further on, because "it is acknowledged to be without remedy." It is filled, moreover, with "horror and disgust at this depravity and fanaticism." It has no patience with juries who will not execute the laws, and roundly charges the Southern sympathizers with the Slave-trade "with degrading our national character, and bringing the Federal institutions into contempt." Finally, it ends by declaring, as we had the honor to remark in these columns three weeks ago, that the Slave-trade must be suppressed, if it is to be suppressed at all, by the Federal forces on the high seas, where the President has complete jurisdiction, and where he can dispense with the intervention of dishonest juries.

There is said to be a point at which impudence becomes sublime, and we confess we think that Mr. JAMES BUCHANAN's organ has pretty nearly reached it in the foregoing remarks. If there be one subject in the world to which it is unbecoming in our venerable President, or anybody representing him, to allude, it is "the degradation of the national character and of the Federal institutions." If there is one thing more than another which he has contributed to promote and perpetuate, it is this very thing. If there be one way in which he has signally injured us, it is, not in spending our money lavishly, or mangling our language mercilessly, but in bringing the national character and the Federal institutions into contempt. The meanest slavedriver that sneaks into a Southern jury-box to perjure himself by setting kidnappers at liberty, may look the country in the face and call himself an American citizen with better grace and a less abashed air than the Chief Magistrate. There is no power which the Constitution has conferred on him, or with which Congress has intrusted him, which he has not prostituted to the purposes of base men. There is no grace and dignity which surrounds his office that he has not sullied by "base compliances," by firmness when firmness was a crime, and by concession when concession was a meanness.

He did what in him lay to bring Democratic institutions generally into contempt and reproach, by laboring night and day, for six months, to force a Constitution on the people of Kansas against their will; by preaching to the world that fraudulent returns, stuffed ballot-boxes, and intimidation were, in our system of government, the legitimate instruments for expressing the popular wishes, and, as if to add fresh fuel to our shame, called God to witness, in his Connecticut letter, that the conscience of a Republican President forbade his going behind a patent, notorious and undeniable swindle. As if, too, to prove to the world the contempt he entertains for popular voice, and the small amount of influence it can exercise on political reprobates like himself, he has deliberately adopted, in the case of GLANCY JONES, a mode of dealing with it which has not been attempted by the head of any Free State since the days of the STUARTS. He has declared, as acts alone can declare, that he considers, in the broadest democracy that the world ever saw, that the people's disapprobation is the best qualification for office which a public servant can possess.

He has, moreover, contributed, as far as even he can contribute, to degrade and demean us, by using all the powers his office confers on him to teach the country that the obligations of a partisan are more sacred and more binding than those of a citizen. There is not a man in the Union, whose bread has been dependent on his will, whom he has not deprived of it for exercising the sacred right of voting according to his conscience. There is not an officer in the public service whose place he has not made dependent on such a slavish self-abnegation, on a complete and abject abdication of the highest of human rights, as would cause even the pimps of a seraglio to hang their head with shame. Degrade the national character! What readier or surer way is there of degrading it than filling the innumerable offices of the State with political eunuchs whose sole duty it is to repeat in a shrill treble the orders of their tyrant, and adopt and defend his ethics and his logic—to glory before assembled crowds in their deformity, and hold up their chains as objects of their national envy?

The Federal institutions, we are told, are in danger of being brought into contempt by the tricks and perjuries of South Carolinian slaveholders. And have they in no way suffered from the appointment of pugilists and bravos to offices of trust, and murderers to seats on the judicial bench;—by the dismissal of law officers for refusing to vote swindlers into the government of cities;—by the bullying, the intriguing, the corruption of last Winter at Washington;—by the daily and nightly interferences of the Executive with the decisions of the deliberative bodies of the State;—by the association of their Chief Magistrate on terms of intimacy with the outcasts of society—by bringing BENNETT and his fellows into the Federal mansion, and seeking to carry on the Government by their aid? If our institutions have suffered no loss of dignity from these practices, the official organ may forego its solicitude lest they should be damaged by the Slave-trade.

AN ELEGANT ENGRAVING.—A very fine steel engraving, which appeals at once to our national pride and to our love of art, has just been published. It is a picture of WASHINGTON *and his Generals*, representing the great Commander standing in the centre, with over *thirty* of the most prominent general officers of the Revolution grouped around him. Most of them are sitting—and all the figures are full length. Special care has been taken to secure accurate likenesses in the portraits, and the grouping of the picture is in every respect admirable. Everything like stiffness has been successfully avoided,—the attitudes are easy and natural and the general, effect is dignified and impressing.

The picture is the work of Mr. A. H. RITCHIE, who is both the designer and engraver of it. His name is a sufficient guarantee for the excellence of the engraving, which strikes us as among the finest performances of its kind the country has seen. The picture is large, twenty-eight inches by forty, and cannot fail to prove a most welcome ornament to thousands of parlors throughout the country.

A WORD OF CAUTION.—A person, calling himself L. M. RAYMOND, and referring to the TIMES Editor for evidences of character, is engaged in collecting advertisements for various newspapers and other periodicals. We desire to say that we know nothing whatever of him, but have reason to infer, from some of his operations, that he is a swindler; and that the next person to whom he may present himself will do public service by handing him over to the Police.

Iron for the Pacific Railroad.

A Pacific Railroad bill is likely to run the gauntlet between opposing political interests, party jobbers and double-faced friends, till it is cheated of its fair proportions, and distorted with excrescences that will leave their scar forever. All these kicks and bruises and stabs in the back will delay the completion of a Pacific Railway, and modify its usefulness, but they will not kill it. There is an enemy, however, lurking unseen in the very souls of its friends, and already putting words into their mouths, which is able to transform the whole enterprise into a public disgrace. It is their *engineering*—the civil and mechanical engineering of politicians, lawyers and merchants. The history of Railways all over the world is a history of money fearfully sacrificed because it was not wisely laid out. There has never been an approximation to the possible success of a Railway as a money-making institution, till millions have been literally scattered to the winds by engineers who were not engineers, but quacks.

Should a Pacific Railway, built and equipped in the best and most truly economical manner known, under the meridian blaze of the long history of those successive steps, waste, bankruptcy, reform, experiment, and practical engineering truth attained at last,—should such a railway merely pay its expenses, and the interest on its cost—and it is not likely to do more for a long period of years—then a railway built as twenty thousand miles have been built in this country, will *not* pay its expenses, but will be an unmitigated drag on a treasury already worse than empty, to the extent of millions of dollars a year. There are facts enough on record to establish this conclusion, viz.: if the Pacific Railway is built in the best known manner, its working expenses will be at least *one-half* what they will be if it is built as American roads are generally built—the cost being the same in both ceses. If the people desire to have this balance of loss wrung out of them by taxation, they are likely to be gratified to the most unbounded extent, provided the Pacific Railroad bill does not contemplate some new and vital features which have never yet guided the construction of American roads.

For example: What rails shall be used? Whether or not they shall be of American make is a question of political economy, and not necessarily of railway economy. Mere names lead to fictitious distinctions. The American is generally superior to the English iron in use on our roads, and American ores are generally stronger than the ores of Great Britain, hence we jump to the conclusion that American rails only are good. Now, it so happens, *per contra*, that some of the very poorest rails in this country are of American make, and that the British rails used in England, are far superior, as a class, to the American rails used in the United States. It is as absurd to estimate American and English ores in classes, as to estimate American and English soil or stone in classes; the best and the worst known exist in both countries. Besides, ore is not rails. The *origin* of the iron is not the issue. Considered by itself, it will be of no practical consequence to the Pacific Railroad, considered as a railroad, and not as a political machine, whichever way it turns out. Congress may dispute about it till doomsday, and not come within hailing distance of the remotest feature of a plan by which to secure good rails.

Rails that last from ten to fifteen years, instead of crushing out in as many months, embrace, at least, these qualities: The greatest possible lateral cohesion in the head; a fair amount of surface hardness in the tread, (they harden by use, if properly made;) a degree of elasticity in the flanges of the head, (this incidentally allows the proper section for jointing the rail firmly,) and great tenacity in the foot. To furnish a permanently-level surface for the wheels, instead of a surface which will deflect between supports, and keep them running up a heavy grade, rails must be much higher, though not necessarily heavier, than the common American pattern. It is well known to almost everybody, except the buyers of railroad iron, that a rail six inches deep is not only twice, but almost eight times, as stiff as one three inches deep, and that good iron can be very much lighter than the present standard, in many parts, to allow this great height within the ordinary limits of weight. There is a rail used in this State which weighs 84 pounds per yard. At the cheapest price of the meanest iron known, this rail costs as much per mile as would a 58-pound rail of the same stiffness, and at least three times the durability, made from the best material, in the best known manner.

Hence it appears, that the making of good rails is not a question of English or American iron, but of *shape* of section and *process* of manufacture It is not a question in political economy, but in physical science. And the difference in the cost of working the Pacific Railway, solely due to the quality of the rails, will be millions of dollars a year saved or sunk.

During a period of thirty years, enormous sums of money have been spent in ascertaining how, and in what shape, to make good rails. These experiments have brought forth the most important results. They show that the rail must be of originally good iron, that the cinder must be thoroughly expelled as from the purest merchant bar, that it must be worked out in the process of welding—for iron without plenty of cinder will not weld soundly; hence the "pile" from which the rail is drawn must be originally large. The poorest rails are reduced in rolling from about 5 to 1; the best from 12 or 13 to 1. New processes are perfecting which will give still greater firmness to the head, and prevent that leading feature of its destruction, that is, lamination. One promising the best results is the forcing into the head of the rail an extra quantity of iron, purposely left by the ordinary process on the tread.

The reason why many of our railways are cursed with poor iron, is simply because their managers do not try to get better iron. They order rails of a given section; if a light section of poor iron has broken down before they put in more of the same kind, it never occurs to them to put in less of a better kind. No specification is given, no inspection is exercised, and no further care is taken. The rails are put down. Perhaps they are iron; perhaps they are cinder; they cost less per ton than any before heard of! that's certain. In two years they are in the scrap-heap. What then? "Our rails are costing too much," say the Management, "we must have them cheaper." So the next lot gets 20 per cent. more cinder. And so on.

Rails that last ten years and more are made according to the most rigid and particular specifications, under the personal inspection, at the mills, of competent engineers, and tested in the most thorough manner. All that do not come up to the mark, exactly, are rejected. One of the last and best specifications for English rails (the Eastern Counties Railway's) provides that if the rails *begin* to fail within *three years* from the commencement of their service, they shall be replaced with sound rails at the maker's expense. And such rails *do not cost more* per mile than a great many of heavier pattern, while they will last several times as long.

Perhaps these engineering details are beneath the scope of the National Congress. But the National Congress must recognize and insist on these details, or they will curse the national highway. There are men enough who will guarantee to work the Pacific Railroad for two-thirds the average cost of working American roads, if they can direct its building and equipment. They would stake their lives on the issue, for there would be no risk.

We are about to undertake the construction of a great national work. Its commercial success, wherever it may be located, and of whatever materials it may be built, will be of the highest advantage to the American people; for if its cheap working will allow low rates of transportation, it will open to rapid civilization and enterprise, a vast, rich and magnificent region, and connect the two oceans with that golden bond, cheap, rapid and safe intercommunication. The eyes of all the world will watch the issue. To-day, the miserable condition and enormous working cost of American roads, as a class, is a by-word and a reproach all over Christendom. The national honor, as well as advantage, is at stake. Nothing is yet done to be undone. The field is clear; there is time to begin properly. If there is money enough to build the road at all, that money can build it *right*.

If the Pacific Railway is built as well as the best Engineers know how to build it, it will be the grandest and best public improvement in the world, pouring life and wealth and happiness into a boundless wilderness, and outstripping, as a triumph of mind, the proudest monuments of history and fable. But if it is built according to the present American models, it will be a public disgrace, a remorseless leech on the treasury, and to a greater or less degree, a nuisance to everybody concerned in and about it. We cannot *afford* to have a poorly built Pacific Railroad.

Musical.

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TIMPSON—FLAGLER.—At Peekskill, on Wednesday, Dec. 22, by the Rev. Mr. Roberts, EDWIN W. TIMPSON, of this City, to FANNY, daughter of Philip Flagler, Esq., of Peekskill.

UNDERHILL—HOPKINS.—At Bloomingdale, on Tuesday, Dec. 21, by his Honor the Mayor, Mr. ALFRED UNDERHILL and Miss ANNA HOPKINS, daughter of Gerard Hopkins, Esq., all of this City.

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DIED.

WELCHER.—In this City, on Thursday, Dec. 23, MARIA ESTELLE, only daughter of Henry B. and Sarah F. Welcher, aged 14 months and 8 days.

The funeral service will take place this evening, at No. 124 West 16th st., at 7½ o'clock. The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

THORNE.—In this City, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 22, ANN MARIA, wife of Thomas W. Thorne, Sr., in the 68th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, without further invitation, on Saturday, Dec. 25, at 3 o'clock P. M., from her late residence, No. 489 7th-av., corner of 40th-st. Carriages will be in waiting at St. Thomas' and St. Paul's Churches, at 2½ o'clock. Her remains will be interred in the Marble Cemetery.

HOYT.—In this City, on Thursday morning, Dec. 23, OLIVER C., youngest son of Oliver and Maria Hoyt, aged 2 years and 10 months.

The funeral services will be attended at the residence of his parents, No. 35 Market-st., this (Friday) morning, at 10 o'clock. The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend without further notice. His remains will be taken to Stamford, Conn., for interment.

DE GRAW.—In this City, on Wednesday, Dec. 22, suddenly, Mr. JASPER DE GRAW, in the 35th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from the residence of his brother-in-law, Chas. Kane, No. 319 Bowery, this (Friday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

BLACKLEDGE.—In this City, on Wednesday, Dec. 22, HANNAH BLACKLEDGE, aged 70 years.

Her funeral will take place from No. 99 St. Mark's-place, this (Friday) morning, at 10 o'clock.

WOODWARD.—At Yorkville, on Tuesday, Dec. 21, IDA ALLEN, daughter of Joseph and Emma Underwood, aged 6 years, 5 months and 7 days.

Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, at 10 o'clock, this (Friday) morning, at the residence of her parents, No. 7 83d-st.

COLES.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Dec. 23, ELIZA COLES, relict of Amos Coles, in the 71st year of her age.

Future notice of her funeral will be given.

PRINDLE.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Dec. 23, after a brief illness, CHARLES B. PRINDLE, aged 35 years, 6 months and 14 days.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 65 Nassau-st., Brooklyn, on Saturday, Dec. 25, at 1 o'clock P. M.

BUCHANAN.—At Newburg, N. Y., on Thursday, Dec. 23, of scarlet fever, ARCHIBALD L., eldest son of Henry P. and Phebe L. Buchanan, aged 13 years and 10 months.

The funeral will take place this (Friday) afternoon, at 2½ o'clock.

WHITLOCK.—At Crowell's Ridge, Monmouth Co., N. J., on Thursday, Dec. 23, Mr. JOHN WHITLOCK, in his 87th year.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, on Saturday (to-morrow) morning, at 10½ o'clock.

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THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, The entire costly Parisian-made Household Furniture at the residence No. 218 West 14th-st., near 6th-av. The parlor furniture, in particular, is of the most expensive description, having cost upwards of $10,000, and may be fully relied on for durability. It consists of one magnificent rosewood seven-octave piano-forte, elegantly inlaid in Cupids of real pearl, with solid pearl keys, admitted by connoisseurs as being one of the best instruments ever made; three solid and richly carved rosewood parlor suites, covered in superb India satin; solid rosewood centre tables, ladies' rosewood work-tables, lined with satin-wood; superbly carved rosewood etageres, with French plate-glass doors and backs; reception and easy chairs, in rich French satin and brocade; rosewood corner stands, heavy French plate mantel and pier glasses, satin brocade and lace window curtains, elegant bronze and ormolu clock, magnificent China vases and other valuable parlor ornaments, medallion, velvet and Brussels carpets. Dining-room and chamber furniture—Solid and richly polished extension dining-table, elegantly carved dining-room suite, rich China ware, silver ware, crystal cut glassware, silver and ivory cutlery of the best description, silver cake-baskets, casters, coffee urn, &c.; mahogany sofas, cushioned chairs, rockers, superbly carved rosewood and mahogany bedsteads, bureaus, washstands, China toilet sets, 20 pure hair mattresses, beds and bedding, ingrain carpets, bedroom mirrors, clocks, tables, oil-cloths, rosewood hall-stand, together with all the basement furniture, &c.

BY JOSEPH HEGEMAN,

THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, A. M., at the Central Salesrooms, Willoughby, corner of Pearl-st., Brooklyn. Regular Weekly Sale of Household Furniture, &c. Also, at 1 o'clock, P. M., one market wagon, iron axle, hay rack, harness, rockaway wagon, (two-seat,) as good as new; an excellent horse, warranted sound and kind, saddle, plough, and sundry farming utensils.

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EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.
SALE OF VALUABLE LANDS IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN.—E. & F. H. SCHENCK will sell at auction at their salesroom, No. 33 Nassau-st., THIS DAY, the 24th inst., at 1 o'clock, between three and four thousand acres of valuable land situated in Chippewa, Door, and Oconto Counties, Wisconsin. These lands are all well timbered, and the title comes directly from the State of Wisconsin to the purchaser. This State is a favorite one with persons settling West, and the attention of that class is particularly called to this sale. The lands are all in parcels of 40 acres each. For further particulars apply to the auctioneer.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.
E. & F. H. SCHENCK WILL SELL AT auction at their salesrooms, No. 33 Nassau-st., THIS DAY, Dec. 24, inst., at 1 o'clock, a splendid laminated steel double-barrel gun, in case, with all the necessary apparatus; cost the owner $100 in Paris, new; has only been shot out of when tried.

DANIEL S. HOUGH, Auctioneer.
SPLENDID HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AT AUCTION.—DANIEL S. HOUGH will sell, THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock A. M., all the contents of the five-story and stone-front residence No. 90 10th st., between Broadway and 5th-av. The house is sumptuously furnished throughout, and all in genteel order.

In the basement are a full suite of dining room furniture, extension table, buffet and chairs to match; besides a great variety of kitchen utensils, China dinner and tea sets, silver ware, casters, spoons, forks, liquor chests, ivory cutlery, cut-glass and Bohemian ware. Sale positive. Deposits required of every purchaser.

In the parlors are velvet carpets, three rosewood suites, side and hall etageres, pier glasses, centre tables, easy chairs and fauteuils, bronzes, clocks, vases, fine paintings, lace curtains, couches, bookcases and library secretaries, rosewood piano, 7-octave; fine engravings.

In the chambers are superior carved rosewood bedsteads, bureaus, commodes, sofas, couches, chairs, carpets, mahogany bedsteads, &c.; 18 pure curled-hair mattresses, and fine blankets and bedding of all kinds.

Catalogues can be had at the house. Sale commences at 10½ A. M. precisely.

GEORGE A. LEAVITT, Auctioneer.
BY GEO. A. LEAVITT & CO., AT STRINGER & TOWNSEND'S old stand, under Barnum's Museum, No. 222 Broadway, on MONDAY, Dec. 27, at 10 A. M. Closing out sale of a Bookseller's Stock—comprising a great collection of popular standard books by the best English and American authors: Cooper, Irving, Bryant, Longfellow, Sims, Dickens, Bulwer, Thackeray, Tennyson, Byron, Macauley, Hume, Goldsmith, &c., in a variety of bindings; richly illustrated works, suitable for presents; Gifts, &c., in an almost endless and attractive selection. The lovers of good and useful books will find this a rare opportunity for adding to their libraries. Catalogues ready on Saturday.

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WILL SELL, THIS DAY, (FRIDAY,) at the private residence No. 70 West 26th st., near 6th av., consisting of parlor suites, piano-forte, stool and cover, bookcase, etageres, centre and side tables, Turkish and reception chairs, corner etageres, carpets, rugs, lace curtains, clocks, vases, &c.; bureaus, bedsteads, washstands, hair mattresses, feather beds, blankets, sheets, &c.; sofas, chairs, rockers, centre and card tables, mirrors, &c. Also, a large assortment of dining-room and kitchen furniture. Sale commences at 10½ o'clock. Deposits required of all purchasers.

PHILIP R. WILKINS, Auctioneer.
PATERSON LOTS AT AUCTION.—PHILIP R. WILKINS will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 28, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, twenty-eight lots in the city of Paterson, New Jersey, viz.:
8 lots on 3d-av., between Montgomery and Lawrence sts.
10 lots on north side Lawrence-st., adjoining.
10 lots on south side of Montgomery-st., adjoining.
Communication with Paterson several times in each day, by the Erie Railroad. Maps at the office of the auctioneer, No. 6 Pine-st.

J. BOGART, Auctioneer.
BY S. BOGART.—SALESROOMS, NO. 1 NORTH William-st.—S. B. will sell, by order of the assignee, on the premises, No. 18 4th-av., on TUESDAY, Dec. 28, 1858, at 10½ o'clock, 52 elegant single and double roundcornered (6¾ and 7-octave) rosewood piano-fortes. All of the said instruments are in perfect order, and of splendid tone and finish, being the balance of the stock of the celebrated manufacturers—late firm of Grow & Christopher. JAS. J. KELLEY, Assignee.

F. COLTON, Auctioneer.
CONTINUATION SALE OF HOTEL FURNITURE, carpets, beds, bedsteads, hair mattresses, wines, liquors, cigars, &c., &c.—F. COLTON will sell, THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 59 Beekman-st., a large assortment of every kind and description of furniture, also wines, liquors, cigars, iron safe, &c., &c. Sale will be peremptory.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
CENTRAL PARK.—SIXTH AND SEVENTH avs., 109th and 110th sts. A whole block of 64 lots will be sold on Dec. 23, inst., at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, by ADRIAN H. MULLER, in sections of eight lots, four on each street, running through the block.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Auctioneer.
BY ALBERT H. NICOLAY—OFFICE NO. 4 BROAD-STREET.—Regular auction sales of Stocks and Bonds, at the Merchants' Exchange, EVERY DAY. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at private sale, and at the Board of Brokers. Sale THIS DAY, at 12½ o'clock. See catalogue.

PEED & COLE, Auctioneers.
MORTGAGE SALE OF JEWELRY, &c.—On FRIDAY, Dec. 24, at 11 A. M., at No. 157 Court-st., Brooklyn, a general assortment of fine watches, jewelry, clocks, &c., &c. Sale will be continued in the evening at 7 o'clock. By order. J. B. BEERS, Mortgagee.

SIMEON DRAPER, Auctioneer.
BY SIMEON DRAPER, OFFICE NO. 36 PINE-STREET.—Regular Auction Sales at the Merchants' Exchange EVERY DAY. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at private sale. Sales THIS DAY at 12½ o'clock. See catalogue.

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The 79th term opens Nov. 29. Pupils received into the family of the Principal. The Institute stages convey pupils residing in distant sections of the City, to and from school. HENRY M. PIERCE, A. M., Principal.
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AMENIA SEMINARY.—THE REV. DENNISON GAGE, A. M., Principal. Male and female. A first-class institution with an able corps of teachers and low terms, offers unusual inducements to students. Winter term begins Dec. 16. Circulars or information may be obtained of the Rev. B. M. Adams, No. 176 Duane-st., the Rev. A. K. Sanford, Five Points Mission, No. 61 Park-st., J. A. Gilbert, No. 22 Liberty-st., Thomas Hoyt & Co., No. 258 Front-st., New-York, or of George W. Curtis, Amenia, N. Y.

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FERRIS FEMALE INSTITUTE—BOARDING AND DAY—Nos. 61 and 63 Madison-av., New-York. Winter term opens Nov. 29.
The Rev. Dr. FERRIS, Rector.
C. H. GARDNER, A. M., Principal.

A. FLACK, A. M., PRINCIPAL OF THE Hudson River Institute, Claverack, Columbia County, N. Y., furnishes board and tuition (common English) at $3 per week. Students received Nov. 8. Next term opens Jan. 1, 1859.

MOUNT WASHINGTON COLLEGIATE Institute, for the education of young gentlemen and lads, on Washington-square, No. 218 4th-st.
CLARKE & FANNING, Principals.
P. S.—The second quarter opened Monday, Nov. 29.

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PAUL S. BROWN'S BAKING ESTABLISHMENT, No. 27 3d-av., corner 9th-st., opposite the Bible House, invites the ladies of New-York to call and examine his beautiful assortment of cakes and pyramids for the holidays; family cakes baked, iced, and ornamented to order—and supplied daily with pure and wholesome bread and rolls—please leave your orders early; punctually attended to.

FINANCIAL.

49TH DIVIDEND.
BROOKLYN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Board of Directors have declared a semi-annual dividend of ten (10) per cent on the capital stock, out of the profits of the last six months, payable at their office, No. 16 Merchants' Exchange, New-York, on and after the 1st day of January, 1859.

Transfer books will be closed until the above date.

Also, *Resolved*, That application be made to the Legislature for permission to increase the capital of the Company the sum of fifty-one ($51,000) thousand dollars.
By order.
WM. F. LEGGETT,
Dec. 16, 1858. Secretary.

EMPIRE CITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NO. 4, WALL-ST.

At an Election for Directors of this Company, held Dec. 6, the following named gentlemen were duly elected for the ensuing year:

HENRY COIT,	THOMAS PATON,
EDWIN A. OELRICHS,	JOHN GARCIA,
JACOB LITTLE,	EDWARD VINCENT,
SEPTIMUS CROOKES,	MICHAEL PASTACALDI,
JOHN H. MORTIMER,	BENJAMIN BABCOCK,
HENRY CHAUNCEY,	LINDLEY MURRAY,
PETER L. BOGERT,	CHAS. VANDERVOORT,
GEORGE F. TALMAN,	RICHARD HARDT,
FRANCIS L. MARBURY,	JOSHUA L. POPE,
EDWARD MINTURN,	HENRY J. BEERS,
JOHN R. SUYDAM,	THOMAS SCOTT,
NATH. L. McCREADY,	EDW'D F. SANDERSON.

At a meeting of the Board, held Dec. 9, LINDLEY MURRAY was unanimously elected President, and WM. A. BURTIS, Jr., appointed Secretary of the Company.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 10, 1858.

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CHICAGO, BURLINGTON, AND QUINCY RAILROAD COMPANY.—CHICAGO, Dec. 18, 1858.—Coupons for interest maturing Jan. 1, 1859, on first mortgage bonds of Central Military Tract Railroad Company, Chicago and Aurora Railroad Company, and Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company, will be paid at maturity by the Bank of Commerce, New-York.

By a provision in the mortgage of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company, the holders of the bonds issued by the Central Military Tract and Chicago and Aurora Companies may deliver them up to this Company, and receive in exchange therefor the eight per cent. sinking fund bonds issued under said mortgage. Exchanges of bonds may be effected with Edward L. Baker, one of the Trustees, in Boston, Mass.
AMOS T. HALL, Treasurer,
Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad Co.

OFFICE MANHATTAN OIL COMPANY,
No. 16 Broadway,
New-York, December 17, 1858.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have declared a semi-annual dividend of Three per Cent. out of the profits of this Company, payable on and after the 1st of January next, on the Consolidated Stock, (of $300,000,) at the office of the Company.

The transfer books will be closed on the 22d inst., except for the purpose of exchange of any outstanding old certificates for new certificates, under the new basis of Capital.
JAMES M. MOTLEY, Secretary and Treasurer.

Nov. 26, 1858.
WE HAVE THE GREATEST SATISFACTION in announcing that on Tuesday, the 30th inst., and for fourteen days thereafter, we shall be prepared to pay our last two installments, due respectively on 31st December, 1859, and 3d June, 1860.
J. & A. DENNISTOUN, Glasgow.
DENNISTOUN CROSS & CO. London.
A. DENNISTOUN & CO., Liverpool.

Referring to the above announcement, we beg to state that we continue our business of buying and selling Sterling Exchange, and granting Commercial and Travelers' credits.
DENNISTOUN, WOOD & CO.,
No. 33 Wall-st.

OFFICE OF CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY.—CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 20, 1858.—The annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of other important business, will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 12, 1859. The transfer books in the cities of New-York and Cleveland, will be closed from Jan. 2 to Jan. 12, inclusive.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANK—CORNER TWENTY-FIFTH-STREET AND THIRD-AVENUE.—The Bloomingdale Savings Bank, open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 8. Interest at the rate of 6 per cent. allowed on all sums of $1,000 and under. All deposits made before the 10th of January will draw interest from the 1st.
SPENCER K. GREEN, President.
JNO. WAITE, Secretary. J. N. LUCKEY, Actuary.

MARINERS' SAVINGS BANK, NO. 1 3d-av., corner of 7th-st.—Deposits made on or before the 31st of December will bear interest from 1st January, at the rate of 6 per cent. on sums of $500 and under, and 5 per cent. on larger amounts. Bank open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.; on Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 5 to 8 o'clock. THOS. B. STILLMAN, Pres.
P. W. ENGS, CHAS MILES, } Vice-Pres. ISAAC C. SMITH, Secretary.

BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 18, 1858.
EIGHTEENTH DIVIDEND.—A SEMI ANNUAL dividend of five (5) per cent. on the Capital Stock of this Bank, out of the profits of the current six months, will be paid on and after Monday, Jan. 3, ensuing.

The transfer books will be closed from the 24th inst. until the day of payment. By order of the Board.
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

TREASURER'S NOTICE.—CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY.—CLEVELAND, Dec. 15, 1858.—The Bonds of Franklin County, Ohio, issued to this Company, and falling due on the 1st of January next, amounting to fifty thousand dollars, will be paid, with the remaining interest warrant attached, at the Ocean Bank, New-York, on and after the 31st instant. T. P. HANDY, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY—NEW YORK, Dec. 20, 1858.—The books of this Company will close on the 31st instant, preparatory to its annual statement. Parties holding policies are requested to furnish an account of all risks attaching thereon up to that date. Also, claims for return of premiums, to avoid any discrepancy in the accounts. DOUGLAS ROBINSON, Secretary.

BANK OF NEW-YORK.—THE BOARD OF Directors of the Bank of New-York have this day declared a dividend of three and one half (3½) per cent. on the capital stock of the Bank, for the current six months, payable on and after the 3d of January next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from this date until the 5th day of January, 1859. W. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

DIVIDEND.—PARK FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No 237 Broadway, corner Park-place.—NEW-YORK, Dec. 13, '58.—The Board of Directors of this Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of ten (10) per cent. payable on and after 3d January next. The transfer books will be closed from 20th inst. to 3d January, inclusive. WM. JAFFRAY, Secretary.

BILLS AND NOTES PAYABLE IN CANADA where the Bank of British North America has Branches or Agencies, collected free of charge, when exchange thereon is provided for.

Drafts granted and bills purchased and collected on England, Scotland and Ireland, Australia and the British Provinces in North America.
R. C. FERGUSSON, F. H. GRAIN, C. F. SMITH, } No. 29 William-st., New-York.

UNITED STATES AND CANADA.—THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, as Agents for Messrs. DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO., Bankers, New-York, hereby give notice that they will receive money on account of that firm, for which they will issue, free of charge, LETTERS OF CREDIT or CIRCULAR NOTES of £10 and upwards, similar to those in such extensive use on the Continent of Europe and elsewhere, payable at all the principal cities and towns in the United States, Canada, &c.

NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS.—COUPONS for interest on Bonds of Yuba County and City of Marysville, Cal. due Jan. 1, 1859, will be paid on and after that date upon presentation at the American Exchange Bank, New-York.
DECKER, BRUMAGEM & CO.,
Marysville, Cal.

MICHIGAN STATE BONDS AND COUPONS.—The interest Coupons and Bonds of the State of Michigan, maturing on the 1st of January next, will be paid on presentation at the Artisans' Bank.
SILAS M. HOLMES,
Treasurer of the State of Michigan.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 22 1858.

ROSEHILL SAVINGS BANK,
14th-st., corner of 8th-av.
ALL SUMS DEPOSITED HERE BEFORE the 12th January next will draw interest from the 1st January. WM. F. HAVEMEYER, President.
J. BRINKERHOFF, Sec.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION—NO. 96 Warren-st., near Greenwich, open daily from 10 A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., and 4 to 7 on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Interest 6 per cent. on sums from $1 to $500.
M. D. VAN PELT, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF STATE TREASURER—ST. PAUL, Dec. 10, 1858. MINNESOTA STATE BONDS.—The interest falling due Jan. 11, 1859, on Minnesota Bonds, will be paid upon presentation of the coupons at the Atlantic Bank, New-York.
G. W. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer.

DIVIDEND.—CONTINENTAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1858.—A semi annual dividend of three and a half per cent. on the capital stock of this Bank will be paid to the stockholders on or after Monday, Jan. 3, next. The transfer books will be closed from the 27th inst. to Jan. 4, inclusive. B. F. WARNER, Cashier.

DIVIDEND.—THE AMERICAN TRADES Company have declared a quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent. on the capital stock, payable on and after the 3d January. The transfer books will be closed until that date.

INTEREST ON CALIFORNIA STATE BONDS.—The Coupons for interest on California State Bonds due Jan. 1, 1859, will be collected or purchased by WM. T. COLEMAN & CO.,
No. 88 Wall-st.

CALIFORNIA STATE BONDS.—INTEREST Coupons on California State Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1859, collected or purchased by WILLIAM HOGE & CO., No. 60 Wall-st.

$50.000 TO LOAN, ON IMPROVED property in this City, in sums not under $8,000. Apply to STOUT, CLEWS & MASON, Nos. 11 Nassau and 13 Pine sts., New-York.

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FINANCIAL.

WILLIAMSBURG SAVINGS BANK—CORNER SOUTH THIRD AND FOURTH STREETS, BROOKLYN, E. D.—DIVIDEND NOTICE.—Depositors are hereby notified that a semi-annual dividend, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, on all sums of three dollars and upwards that shall have been deposited three months on the first day of January next, will be paid to depositors on and after Monday, Jan. 17.

Interest not called for will be placed to the credit of depositors as principal.

Deposits made on or before the 10th day of January next will draw interest from the 1st.

The funds of this Institution are securely invested in bonds and mortgages on real estate worth double the amount loaned, and in City, County and State Bonds.

The Bank is open for business daily, (Sundays and holidays excepted,) from 3 to 7 o'clock P. M.
WILLIAM WALL, President.
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SAMUEL W. TRUSLOW, Secretary.

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PERSIA, Judkins, leaves New-York, Wed'sday, Dec. 22.
ARABIA, Stone, leaves Boston, Wednesday, Dec. 29.
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AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY,
ALEX. HOLLAND, Manager.
NEW-YORK, Nov. 13, 1858.

FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND HAVRE.—THE U. S. Mail steamer FULTON, J. A. WATTON Commander, will leave for Havre, touching at Southampton to land the mails and passengers, on SATURDAY, Jan. 8, at 12 o'clock, from pier No. 37 North River, foot of Beach-st. This ship has five water-tight compartments inclosing the engines, so that in the event of collision or stranding, the water could not reach them, and the pumps being free to work, the safety of the vessel and passengers would be secured. Baggage not wanted during the voyage should be sent on board the day before sailing, marked "below."

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9:30 A. M. for Williams Bridge.
10 A. M. mail train for Albany.
11:30 A. M. for White Plains.
2:30 P. M. for Williams Bridge.
3 P. M. for Millerton.
3:30 P. M. Express for Albany.
4 P. M. for Croton Falls.
5 P. M. for White Plains.
6:15 P. M. for White Plains, from White and Centre sts
8:30 P. M. for Williams Bridge.
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7 A. M. from Croton Falls.
7 A. M. from Millerton.
7:20 A. M. from White Plains.
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10:30 A. M. from Williams Bridge.
12:30 P. M. from White Plains.
3 P. M. from White Plains.
3:30 P. M. Albany Express.
5 P. M. from Williams Bridge.
WM. J. CAMPBELL, Superintendent.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT—KINGS COUNTY.—AMY MORRISS, plaintiff, against W. E. THETFORD, defendant.—Summons for a money demand on contract. To the defendant: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, at the City Hall, in the City of Brooklyn, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 141 Joralemon-st., in said City of Brooklyn, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, with interest on ten hundred and fifty from April 8, 1857, to March 1, 1858, and interest on seven hundred and fifty from the 1st day of March, 1858, besides the costs of this action.—Dated New-York, Oct. 5, 1858.
N. VAN BRUNT, Plaintiff's Attorney.

The above-named complaint was filed in King's County Clerk's Office Dec. 20 1858.
d24-law6wF* N. VAN BRUNT, Plaintiff's Attorney.

SUPREME COURT—COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—OLIOER M. PETTIT against ABNER NORCOM.—Summons for money demand on contract.—To the above defendant. You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of New-York, at the City Hall in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office No. 156 Broadway, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of fifteen hundred and fifty dollars, with interest from the fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, besides the cost of this action.—Dated Dec. 4, 1858.
SHERWOOD, STORY & DUNN,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys, No. 156 Broadway, New-York.

The complaint in the above entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City Hall in said City, on the 22d day of December, 1858. SHERWOOD, STORY & DUNN,
d24-law6wF* Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

SUPREME COURT, WESTCHESTER COUNTY.—APPLETON BRAGG, ALFRED BRAGG, ARIEL BRAGG, APPLETON B. JONES and CHARLES M. JONES, Plaintiffs, against ALEXANDER SCOTT, Defendant.—Summons for a money demand on contract. To the above-named defendant: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which was this day filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Westchester at White Plains, and serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office, in Morrisania, in said County, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiffs will take judgment against you for the sum of five hundred and seventeen dollars and fifty-five cents, with interest from the fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, besides the costs of this action.—Dated Dec. 4, 1858. CHAUNCEY SMITH,
law6wF* Plaintiffs' Attorney.

SUPREME COURT.—JOHN BOYD AGAINST JAMES ANDREW BOYD.—Summons for relief.—(Com. not ser.)—To JAMES ANDREW BOYD: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City Hall, in said City, on the 25th day of October, 1858, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 24 William-street, in the said City of New York, in the State of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated Oct. 25, 1858.
DAVID THURSTON, Plaintiff's Attorney.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOHN J. PALMER, late of the City of New-York, Banker, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of HENRY PALMER, No. 37 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 12th day of March next, 1859.—Dated New-York, Aug. 31, 1858.
EDWIN A. OELRICHS, HENRY PALMER, HENRY MEIGS, Jr. } Executors, &c.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF RODMAN B. DAWSON, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against CHARLES HARVEY, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the executors, at the office of ALEX. McCUE, No. 9 Court-street, in the City of Brooklyn, on or before the 4th day of January next.—Dated June 26, 1858.
CATHARINE HARVEY, ALEXANDER McCUE, EDWARD HARVEY. } Executors.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF RODMAN B. DAWSON, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against PATRICK LYNDON, late of the city of Brooklyn, in Kings County, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the executor, at the office of O'GORMAN & WILSON, No. 24 William-street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 4th day of March next—Dated Aug. 26, 1858.
au26-law6mF* JAMES SMITH, Executor.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against RICHARD C. VALENTINE, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of SIDNEY D. ROBERTS, No. 172 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on or before the 2d day of May next.—Dated, New-York, Oct. 28, 1858.
SIDNEY D. ROBERTS, Administrator.
ELIZABETH VALENTINE, Administratrix.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against AUGUSTUS H. KRAUTH, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the office of T. James Glover, No. 133 Nassau-street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 20th day of January next—Dated New-York, July 15th, 1858.
HANNAH KRAUTH, Administratrix.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JEREMIAH CLARK, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at the office of Messrs. VAN VORST & BEARDSLEE, No. 106 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on or before the 23d day of February next.—Dated New-York, Aug. 20, 1858.
WILLIAM DENNISTOUN, EDWARD S. CLARK, HENRY J CLARK. } Executors.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF RODMAN B. DAWSON, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against IRA C. HUNTINGTON, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, WM. STEBBINS, Jr., at No. 139 Greenwich-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 10th day of March next.—Dated September 8, 1858.
HESTER A. HUNTINGTON, WILLIAM STEBBINS, Jr. } Administrators.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against GEORGE M. SHAW, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at the office of the Brooklyn Oil Company, No. 160 Front-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 1st day of April next.—Dated, New-York, Sept. 30, 1858. JOHN H. SMITH, Jr.
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NOTICE.—TO THE CREDITORS OF JAMES DE GRAY & CO., HENRY E. QUINAN, Assignee: You are requested to send your address, or call upon me at my place of business, No. 416 Broadway, corner of Canal-st. I have something to communicate bearing upon your interest.
SETH C. KEYES,
Debtor to James De Gray & Co.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH FOR DEAF MUTES, their families and friends.—Acknowledgments for the year ending Dec. 1, 1858:

Building Fund—From Miss Cleland, collected in dollar subscriptions, $7 50; Mrs. J. B. Plumb, of Albany, do. $23; Mrs. Randall, $17; Mrs. Duncan McDougall, do. $7; Mrs. E. B. B. Nicholson, do. $21; Mr. W. O. Fitzgerald, do. $3; Mrs. Wolcott, do. $12 28; Misses Emma and Rebecca Brown (collected in shilling pieces), $13; other sources, $159 65. Total, $262 80.

Parish Fund—For the year ending Oct. 3, 1858.—From Trinity Church, $500; Mrs. Elijah Loring, of Boston, $100; Miss Abby Loring, $50; Mr. Legrand Lockwood, $50; Mr. R. B. Minturn, $25; Mr. D. H. Haight, $25; St. John's Church, Hartford, Conn., $70 07; St. John's Church, Buffalo, N. Y., $24 85; St. James' Church, Chicago, Ill., $20; St. Peter's Church, Albany, N. Y., $36 34; Mr. George Kent, deaf-mute of Amherst, N. H., $1; other kind friends, $252 33. Total, $1,154 59.

Towards the Salary of the Rector—For one year from Oct. 1, 1858, enabling him to resign his connection with the Institution for Deaf and Dumb, in order to devote himself more closely to parochial duties, laboring specially among the adult deaf-mutes of New-York City and vicinity. Gentlemen of the South Dutch Church through R. Ogden Doremus, M. D., $100; G. F. Nesbitt, $50; Josiah Bennett, Rev. H. E. Montgomery, each $30; John Caswell, Mrs. Margaret Neilson, each $25; W. B. Campbell, Hon. Henry Barnard of Hartford, Wm. Douglas and Brother, each $20; Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Voorhis, Mr and Mrs. H. Whittick, Thomas W. Miller, Cyrus Curtiss, E. L. Bangs, Mrs. Harriet Stoner, C. T. Jung, F. Goodridge, Mrs. Frederick Perry, Miss C. S. Cogswell, P. Balen, J. G. Whipple, C. C. Lathrop, Davis Hatch, Henry Rogers, Mrs. Ellen Walter, Rev. R. R. T. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. John Till, Mrs. William Carter, Mrs. Dr. Pennell, Dr. A. W. Brown, Rev. Dr. Creighton, Mrs. David Haywood, John N. Genin, T. Otis Leroy, Rev. I. H. Tuttle, Stewart Brown, Wm. A. Smith, Jacob Reese, Rev. R. S. Howland, Geo. S. Robbins, W. P. Lee, Mrs. H. Schermerhorn, W. K. Strong, H. M. Chamberlayne, of Virginia, Rev. Dr. Bedell, P. H. Holt, F. P. Sage, J. J. Kingsford, J. B. Herrick, M. Spencer, L. M. Hoffman, C. P. Leverich, G. G. Howland, Peter V. King, N. H. Wolfe, Hon. D. F. Tiemann, H. Weld, Mrs. C. H. Wilmerding, Miss Fanny Lattan, S. T. Skidmore, B. H. Field, J. H. Swift, P. C. Tiemann, Mrs. Ellen Stuyvesant, John Jay, John Campbell, J. Sturgess, Adam Norrie, Mr. Fay, Principal of Michigan Institute for Deaf and Dumb and Blind, Ezra Goodridge, Mrs. C. L. Spencer, F. F. Randolph, John Saxton, S. Cambreleng, J. B. Vandervort, C. J. Roome, C. G. Cornell, each $10. Total, $1,040.

DISSOLUTION.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business to be closed by L. W. Cummins at their place of business corner 42d-st. and 7th-av.
L. W. CUMMINS,
A. H. DUDLEY.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

TWELFTH WARD REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATION.—A special meeting will be held on MONDAY EVENING, Dec. 27, in Farrington's Hall, corner 128th-st and 3d-av., to elect (pursuant to the call of the Central Committee) officers of the Association for the ensuing year, and delegates to the Central and the Young Men's Central Committee. Polls open from 7½ to 9 o'clock. By order. JACOB FASTIN, President.
W. E. PABOR, Secretary.

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE NINETEENTH Ward Republican Association will be held at Headquarters, 3d-av., corner 59th-st., THIS (Friday) EVENING, Dec. 24, 1858, at 8 o'clock.
N. H. BABCOCK, Jr., ROBT. L. HILL, } Secretaries.

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CITY INTELLIGENCE.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY.—Remember the poor on the blessed anniversary of to-morrow—not those, exactly, for whom our Mammoth Charities provide, but those who are nearer home, and who more sadly need the common necessities of life. Among the numerous Institutions to which we can direct those who desire to give of their abundance, there is the Corlears Hook Mission, which will hold their Third Annual Festival in their school-room, No. 399 Cherry-street, to-morrow afternoon. Contributions intended for this celebration, should be sent in to-day, and may be left at Miss REEVES', No. 396 Cherry-street, or will be called for, if the address of the donor is left with the Treasurer, Mr. THOMPSON, of No. 145 Madison-street. The Newsboys' Lodging House is also a charity deserving of support. The Superintendent informs us that the Institution is so pressed to meet ordinary expenses, that only such donations as are made for the express purpose of furnishing a Christmas or New-Year's dinner, can be so appropriated. All contributions should be sent this forenoon to the Superintendent, Mr. C. WIEGAND, No. 128 Fulton-street. To-morrow afternoon, at the Chapel No. 29 East Twenty-ninth-street, the Home for the Friendless will hold their Christmas anniversary. The trees will be stripped at 7 o'clock, and their contents will be distributed among some three hundred juvenile expectants, who deserve to be made as happy on Christmas as the children of better fortune. The *Children's Aid Society* expects to send westward, a company of boys and girls on Tuesday next. Clothing enough to give them a handsome outfit, and money enough to pay their expenses out, are solicited from the charitable. Donations sent to No. 11 Clinton Hall, Astor-place, will be thankfully acknowledged by Mr. J. MACY, the Assistant Secretary.

THE NICARAGUA ROUTE AND THE WASHINGTON.—The steamer *Washington*, which was advertised to sail yesterday for San Juan del Norte, was delayed by unfinished repairs and alterations. It is understood that the present voyage is undertaken for account of the owners of the *Hermann*, (whoever they are,) to make good the default of that steamer in not stopping at San Juan del Sur. In case the *Hermann* does not come down on the Pacific side in time to connect with her, the *Washington* will proceed to the Pacific *via* the Straits of Magellan. Some eighty of the disappointed and returned of her former passengers embark on the present trip, besides whom there will be a sufficient number of new passengers to swell the number to nearly two hundred. At the extremely low fare; $80 and $100 in the steerage, the more passengers they have the worse it will be for the company; particularly if they are obliged to carry them around Cape Horn. The advices received from California to the 6th inst. *viâ* Tehuantepec, announce the arrival of the *Hermann* at San Francisco on the 27th ult.

DISAPPEARANCE OF A YOUNG LADY.—Yesterday a gentleman from New-Jersey, came to this City on business, and was accompanied by a female relative. They walked up from the ferry together, and separated in front of the Astor House, the gentleman going up to the Bull's Head Bank, and the young lady starting to visit some friends in West Thirteenth-street, since which time nothing has been heard from her, although a thorough search has been made. The young lady is 21 years old, medium sized, with pale complexion, dark auburn hair and dark eyes; she wore a black velvet hat with red trimmings, and a drab circular cloak with black hair-cloth trimmings; a dark silk and worsted dress with a bright yellow stripe in it, and a dark fur victorine. She also had on her person gold cameo ear-rings and breast-pin, a gold watch and chain, etc. Any information as to her whereabouts can be left at the Detective Police Office in Broome-street.

FAIR AT THE MARINERS' CHURCH.—This fair is open from 2 o'clock until 10, every day this week, at the Mariners' Church No. 72 Madison-street. Its object is to provide clothing for destitute children of seamen and others. The exhibition itself reflects great credit on the ladies who have it in charge. In the articles offered for sale there is a pleasant blending of the useful and ornamental, and purchasers in search of Christmas gifts may here suit themselves and benefit the poor children also.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON THE HARLEM RAILROAD.—TERRENCE CONNOLLY, an Irish laborer, attempted yesterday afternoon to jump on a Harlem Railroad train while in motion, and in doing so was knocked down and run over by three cars, before the train was stopped. He was terribly crushed, and died in a few minutes. An inquest will be held on the body to-day.

LECTURES.—Mr. DE CORDOVA has accepted an engagement to deliver a course of lectures before the Congregation "Emanuel," who worship at the Temple in Twelfth-street, between the Second and Third avenues. Mr. DE C. will commence on Christmas day. The pews in this Church that are not already let are free to visitors.

DEAD BODIES SEEN AT SEA.—Capt. SPENCER, of the packet ship *Daniel Webster*, from London, who arrived last night, reports that Sept. 20, in lat. 43° 30′, lon. 43°, on the outward passage, he passed among a large number of dead bodies, swollen and distorted, with the sea birds preying on them. He thought they were no doubt some of the steamship *Austria's* passengers. They were nearly together, in groups of two and three.

The Board of Councilmen met at 5 o'clock P. M., but there not being a quorum, they adjourned to Monday next, at the same hour.

FIRE IN WEST THIRTY-EIGHTH-STREET.—A small fire occurred yesterday forenoon in the dwelling-house No. 113 West Thirty-eighth-street, occupied by Mr. H. BRADFORD. A daughter of Mr. BRADFORD discovered a leak of gas in the bedroom on the third floor, and applied a match to the pipe—the result being a sudden ignition of the escaping gas, and firing of the furniture. Before the fire was extinguished the damage was about $150. It is covered by insurance.

Police Reports.

GOLDEN PROMISES OF A LOVER.—Mr. Stephen Lovejoy lives at No. 252 Water-street, and was the fortunate possessor of $1,000 in bills. He had a neice, Mary Flyn, and the neice had a lover, James Garrigan. The lover was told of the $1,000 which was in the possession of Mary's uncle. He induced Mary to get the bills and hand them to him, promising to exchange them for gold, which gold she could give to her uncle and afford him a pleasant surprise. Mary stealthily procured the bills and handed them to her lover, but the promised gold coin failed to be forthcoming. The peculating neice and the speculating lover were yesterday arrested, conveyed before Justice OSBORN, and committed in full for trial.

BUTTER AND PAINTS.—Early yesterday morning burglars pried their way, with a jimmy, into the produce store of William Valentine, No. 387 Duane-street, and stole two firkins of butter. A man, giving his name as James Rogers, very stupidly endeavored to sell one of the firkins yesterday forenoon, in the neighborhood. The sale was cut short, and he was locked up.—James Kenny and Peter Murray were caught, yesterday morning, coming out of the store of Messrs. Miller & Schoonmaker, No. 5 Chatham-square, having in their possession a quantity of paints which they had just stolen. The two men were arrested, and taken before Justice OSBORNE; who, since they were unable to give a fair coloring to their case, committed them to the Tombs.

THE LIBEL SUIT AGAINST ALDERMAN CLANCY.—The examination upon the charge of libel, preferred against Alderman Clancy by Mr. Stephen P. Russell, was resumed yesterday afternoon before Justice OSBORN. As on the opening day of the examination, a large retinue of friends of the respective contestants was present, together with a strong force of opposing counsel. Only one witness was examined, Nehemiah O. Gardner, cashier of the New-York *Sun*, and he only briefly. His evidence corroborated the testimony as previously published of Admer Joy, the night-clerk. The examination was adjourned till Monday next.

A WOMAN NOT TO BE TRIFLED WITH.—Francis H. George, living at No. 118 Ridge-street, yesterday forenoon strolled into a place of dubious repute in Hester-street. While there Julia A. Cornish applied some offensive adjectives to him, and he attempted to silence her by striking her over the head with a chair. The woman dodged the chair, seized a razor and gave her attempted assailant a terrible gash across the cheek. The woman was arrested and lodged in Essex Market Jail.

BAD SPECULATION.—John O'Conner yesterday called in at the liquor saloon of Patrick Kelly, No. 418 Tenth-street. He took a good drink, but offered in payment a bad bill on the Lee Bank, Massachusetts. That it was a counterfeit was easily discovered, and the attempted utterer was arrested, and locked up by Justice STEERS in default of $1,000 bail. O'Conner says that he resides at Fort Lee, N. J., and asserts that he came honestly by the bill.

Coroner's Inquests.

DROWNING.—The body of JAMES REGAN was found yesterday in the North River, near Dey-street. The deceased formerly resided at No. 240 Cherry-street, and had been missing about a week. When last seen alive he was intoxicated, and it is supposed that while in that condition he stumbled off one of the river docks. The body of an unknown man was yesterday picked up in the water near the foot of Franklin-street. It was of medium height, well dressed, and appeared to have been in the water about a month. Inquests were held on both bodies, and verdicts of "Supposed accidental drowning," rendered.

S. Alberto Mario's Lecture on Italy.

Last evening, Signor ALBERTO MARIO delivered a lecture on Italy, in Italian, at Professor MACMULLEN'S lecture-room, No. 21 East Twentieth-street, for the benefit of the Italian Society of Mutual Aid. We understand that Signor MARIO'S object in coming to the United States is to organize the Italians resident here, and to induce them to form part of the National Italian Association, whose members, spread throughout the Italian Peninsula, are preparing for the next struggle after Liberty and Independence. Signor MARIO commenced his lecture by asking his audience whether any of them had ever met with a poor, decayed patrician, the fame and riches of whose ancestors was forever on his lips, he meanwhile living poor and inert. To this patrician (he said) foreigners liken Italy, whose sons, they say, ever boast the past greatness of their ancestors, while they tolerate the oppression of the Pope, of Austria, and of five domestic tyrants.

Speaking in the name of the skeptical foreigners, he enumerated all the past greatness of Italy—all the ignominy of her present condition. This language, he said, was too severe, as under the sepulchral silence that reigns through Italy, Italians lived, and struggled, and died, and others rose to renew the struggle. Still until Italy was free, Italians could not reply victoriously to the foreigner's taunts, nor could a single Italian complain of the injustice unless he could reply: "My life, also, is devoted to the regeneration of my country." As to the excuses that each might allege, he warned them against a too eager desire to grow rich; urged them to devote each a mite towards the establishment of journals and towards the spread of information throughout the oppressed provinces of Italy, and to consecrate all their spare hours to mutual instruction and to the practice of arms, in order that they might all be able to respond to their country's first call. [Loud applause.] If, he said, the free people of America see this spirit among you, they will cease to regard you as wanderers without mutual ties or a common aim; but, convinced that you are doing your utmost to fulfill your highest duty, will respect your efforts, and do their utmost to help you to succeed.

Speaking of the necessity of union, Signor MARIO said that it must be a union of homogeneous elements; that the battle flag must be a national flag—that on it must be inscribed, "The road that leads to victory;" that precludes all uncertainty, all provisional governments, ["Bravo! bravo!"] which give birth, of necessity, to defeat. Where, he asked, could there be greater union than in 1848? All Italy repeated, with one voice, "No discussions!—away with the foreigners!—we will decide all the rest afterwards." And the world saw kings and courtiers, policemen and spies, priests, popes and people, unite to drive out the foreigners everywhere—provisional governments and a neutral banner—and what was the result? The result was that the foreigners returned stronger than ever, and Italy was enslaved as before. And the cause of all this was that the so-called union was a bastard union—an absurd medley of heterogeneous elements, intrinsically opposed one to the other.

More than a third of the lecture was devoted to the examination of these elements, in order to show which could combine, and which could not, in order to obtain a concrete idea of that union which alone can lead to victory. Signor MARIO thus passed in review ancient and modern Italian history, showing that the National Italian tradition is Republican—that the Papacy prevented union between the Republics of the Middle Ages, thus rendering Italian nationality impossible, and then, aided by strangers, established petty monarchies throughout Italy, and at the birth of those monarchies, Italian glory and Italian greatness ceased. He then examined the conduct of these monarchies up to 1849, and proved them all and always averse to Italian independence, and concluded that they were heterogeneous elements, opposed to the national aim, and that therefore liberty and independence must be achieved by the union of the popular element only.

He confuted the opinion of those who hope for Italian regeneration from the Sardinian monarchy, and as he traced step by step the history of that monarchy, and its retrograde policy during the last ten years, in its internal as well as its external administration, the laughter, the reiterated applause and bravos testified that his audience had very little hope in that quarter.

And even admitting the possibility of this monarchy joining in a war for Italian independence, he showed that its forces could not be brought into play except to second a revolution in some other part of Italy; therefore all those who really loved their fatherland ought to unite their energies with those who are already preparing for Italy's coming struggle. In that struggle, he said, the banner that would float above the combatants would be the red, white and green flag that represents neither a party nor a class, nor an exclusive tendency, but the banner of the nation and of the national right. What Italian would refuse to fight under this banner? And when before this banner the King of Naples, the Pope and Dukes shall have fled—when their armies and navies and ammunition shall be in the hands of the people—Italy, mistress of herself, will be able to drive out the Austrians, and, the Austrians once beyond the Alps, the National Assembly would meet at Rome to deliberate how the nation should be governed. If the Sardinian King had combated bravely, perhaps the nation might choose to crown him with the crown of towers. Whether he fought or not, it was certain that the Piedmontese army and the Piedmontese people would unite with the nation. [Cries of "Yes!" "Yes!" and loud applause.] Or it might constitute itself into a republic. ["Bravo! Bravissimo!"] That mattered not; the question now was, how all this was to be brought about. The revolution—the sole weapon that could wrest Italy from her tyrants—would not spring up like flowers in a field. No! Every Italian within and without the peninsula must contribute towards its organization. Italians are toiling in Italy, and the national association numbers its sections in Greece and the Ionian Isles, in Constantinople, Smyrna, Alexandria and Turin; in Barcelona, in England, in Buenos Ayres, and also in New-York. The New-York section of the Italian National Party had chosen as their representatives Generals Avezzana, Magni, Ancarini, Minelli, Bisco, Pirroni, Piazza, Verzi, Macoggi. And I, continued Signor MARIO, am not here to amuse you with idle words. No! words must be translated into facts. Therefore, I call on you to unite yourselves with those who are already united in toiling for our common country. Come, then, and give in your adherence, if you approve its object. I invite you in the name of Italy, enslaved and insulted—in the name of our brothers dead upon the scaffold and in exile—in the name of one hundred thousand Italians now languishing in the prisons of our tyrants.

This appeal, as indeed the whole lecture, was received with peals of applause. In accordance with the invitation of the lecturer, the whole audience went up to the rostrum and gave in its adhesion to the cause.

The Case of Mr. Knox—Reply to Mr. Smith's Card.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Mr. JAS. M. SMITH is under a mistake in saying that your report of the dismissal of the charge against me was erroneous. The facts are that when the prosecution rested, my counsel moved, without going into any evidence on my behalf, to dismiss the complaint on the prosecutor's own showing. That motion was granted, and the complaint dismissed as previously and correctly reported by you.

Yours, &c., C. KNOX.

The above is entirely correct.

BENJAMIN GALBRAITH and JOHN TOWNSHEND, counsel for defence.

BROOKLYN INTELLIGENCE.

THE EXIT OF PETE DAWSON.—The motion for a new trial in the case of PETER DAWSON was denied by Judge MORRIS, in the Court of Sessions, yesterday, where the prisoner was arraigned for sentence. Before pronouncing sentence, the Court held up to view the prisoner's career, and the circumstances attending the offence of which he stands convicted, (assault and battery with intent to kill,) and said that had death ensued from the wound inflicted by him, there would have been nothing to prevent his conviction for murder, with such evidence as had been brought forward by the prosecution in this case. There was, therefore, no cause for leniency. He was sentenced to nine years and six months imprisonment in the State Prison at Sing Sing. The prisoner was completely overcome by the sentence, and wept like a child. He expected to escape with a light sentence. In answer to the usual questions, DAWSON said he was 35 years old, born in Ireland, had no occupation, and never was in any State prison.

THE GALLAGHER CASE.—The case of PATRICK GALLAGHER, who killed HUGH KELLY, came up for argument in General Term yesterday, on a motion for a new trial. Messrs. BRADY and GARRISON appeared for the prisoner, and Mr. CAMPBELL for the people. The hope for a new trial is mainly based upon the fact that evidence was ruled out on the trial which would have shown the prisoner guilty of a different offence, if any, from that found by the jury. This evidence related to what the prisoner said when first attacked in the saloon No. 12 Fulton-street by PATRICK KELLY, and the testimony of Dr. VAN ZANDT, who examined the knees of the prisoner after he was committed to jail and found them bruised. A decision in the case will not be had until February.

A BOLD ATTEMPT TO ROB.—A few nights ago, at about 6 o'clock, a gentleman was stopped on Flushing-avenue, near the City Park, by an Irishman with a bludgeon in his hand, who demanded, in a surly manner, to know the time of night. The steam-whistle at a neighboring manufacturing establishment had just given its daily screech for 6 o'clock—time for the workmen to knock off for the day, and the questioner was so informed. This was not satisfactory, and a sight of the watch was demanded, with more emphasis than at first, accompanied by a significant shake of the club. The gentleman, who was entirely unarmed, was about to surrender at discretion, when a party of men came out of the Navy-yard gate, and the Irishman, with his bludgeon, started off, and was soon out of sight.

CITY COURT.—City Court Calendar for this day: Nos. 38, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 8, 25, 27, 4, 50, 52, 1, 27, 31, 56, 57, 58, 59.

An Implacable Father—The Will of Augustus Thorndike.

From the Boston Traveller, Dec. 21.

In another column we give entire, from the copy offered for probate in the Court for this county, the last Will and Testament of AUGUSTUS THORNDIKE, of this city, who died at the Tremont House, a month or two since, leaving an estate, real and personal, of about half a million dollars. It has before been briefly stated that a daughter of deceased offended her father by marrying against his will, she being at the time twenty-seven years of age. It is stated that the father reached the place of marriage of his daughter a few moments after the ceremony had been performed, but, finding that he was too late, he left the house, and ever since has evinced his hostility to this daughter, repulsing her from his bedside on the occasion of his last sickness. This will, which is of great length, and in the handwriting of the deceased, is one of the most remarkable documents of the kind ever drawn up. The deliberate design exhibited in every page, and in almost every paragraph, to cut off his child from any participation in his accumulated wealth, because she had, at full age, obeyed the dictates of her heart in the choice of her companion for life, is sad to contemplate. It is absolutely terrifying to observe the careful malignity with which, throughout the document, he provides for the carrying out of his almost demoniac purpose. The mother is forbidden to give aid to the child of her love; the brothers and sisters are debarred from the exercise of their fraternal affection; all who are named in the will are subject to the same penalties. Old Harvard has a donation of $20,000 for a Professorship of Music, but with like provisions if a copper should go to aid the proscribed couple or their children. A pittance of $400 per annum, to save the law, is alone awarded to the discarded ones. His wife is liberally provided for, but only on condition that she remains a widow. A pew is left to her in Trinity Church, but with liberty to sell it and purchase in any other Church, if she may desire it. On that point a liberality is apparent not manifest in other portions of the will.

The wife of the deceased is now absent from the country. She is, however, upon her return from Europe, and upon her arrival the question of Probate will be decided.

It may be without impropriety added, that the husband of the offending daughter is described by one of the Executors named in the will as a person of most excellent character, who holds a high position in the community. They have several children. It appears that a son has also offended his father by contracting a marriage without his consent, but in that case the father contents himself with cutting off, as far as possible, the relations of his son's wife from any participation in the division of the property.

There are now, says the *Union*, thirty-six Coast Survey parties in the field and afloat—on the Atlantic coast, 18; on the Gulf coast, 12; and the Pacific coast, 6. These are distributed for the Winter as follows: In the vicinity of Chesapeake Bay, Va., 2; Coast of North Carolina, 3; Coast of South Carolina and Georgia, 7; Florida peninsula, reefs and keys, 12; Coast of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, 4; Coast of Texas, 2; and the Coast of California, Oregon and Washington Territories, 6.

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English Velvet Carpeting $1 12 per yard; Brussels 75c.; All-wool Ingrains 37c.; Rugs, Ottomans, Window Shades, Table and Piano Covers, &c., &c.
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BRANDRETH'S PILLS
open these, or make them active, thus restoring health. Let the sick look to their interest. Sold at No. 294 Canal-street, 25 cents, and the half box 13 cents, sugar coated.

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MONETARY AFFAIRS.

For Markets see Third Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....Dec. 23.

$2,000	U. S. 5s, '65	104⅜	150	Hud. River R. R.	33⅜
7,000	U. S. 5s, '74	104⅜	100	do.....b60	33⅜
500	Ill. Int. Imp. '47	101	70	Harlem R. R. p.	30
5,000	do.	101⅜	1300	Reading R.R.	51⅜
6,000	Virginia 6s	97¾	200	do.....s30	51⅜
500	do.	98	100	do.....snw	51⅛
3,000	N. C. State 6s	98⅜	50	do.	51⅝
2,000	do.	98⅜	100	do.....b60	51¾
14,000	Cal. St. 7s, n. bs.	91¾	25	Ill. Cen. R.R.	66
5,000	Missouri St. 6s	89⅝	75	do.	66¼
5,000	do.....s30	89⅜	100	Mich. Cen. RR.....b60	52
5,000	City 6s, '87	103	350	do.	52
5,000	N.Y. Cen. bs.'76	101	200	do.....s3	52⅛
2,000	Erie R. Bds. '75	44⅜	400	do.....s30	52⅛
1,000	Hud.Riv.R.1st m.	103⅜	100	do.	52
2,000	Ill. Cent.R.R.Bs.	85⅛	50	M. S. & N. I. R.R.	20⅜
7,000	do.	85⅛	100	do.....b60	20⅝
5,000	do.....s60	85	50	do.....b30	20⅝
5,000	LaC.&M.L.G.Bs.	24⅜	200	do.....s30	20⅝
5,000	do.....s15.	24⅜	100	M. S. & N. Ia. G. S.	47⅛
1,000	N.J.Cen.1stm.bs.	98	50	Panama R.....s60	120
500	Del.,Lac.&W.1 m.	88	300	Gal. & Ch. R.	70⅜
2,000	Mich. S. 2d m. bs.	61	50	do.....Monday	71
5	Bank of Commerce	103⅜	150	do.	71
45	Continental Bank	104	200	do.....s10	71
50	Cary Improve. Co.	5⅜	150	do.....s15	71
50	Del. & Hud. Ca. Co.	96⅜	100	do.....s30	71
14	do.	96⅜	50	do.	71⅛
58	do.	96⅜	300	Cl. & Tol. R.	31⅜
105	Pacific Mail St. Co.	90⅜	450	Chicago & R. I. R.	59⅛
100	do.....b30	90⅜	50	do.....b60	59⅛
200	New-Jersey Zinc	7⅜	50	do.....b10	59⅛
600	N. Y. C. R. R.	83⅜	50	do.....b30	59⅛
27	do.	83⅜	750	do.	59
800	do.....b10	83⅜	100	do.....s10	59
100	do.	83⅜	100	do.....s15	59
184	Erie Railroad	17	650	do.....b60	59
50	do.....s30	16⅞	150	do.....b10	59
210	La C. & Mil. R. R.	3	100	do.....b15	59

SECOND BOARD.

$15,000	Mo. St. 6s	89⅜	50	Mich. Cen. R.	51⅞
5,000	E. R. 3d m. b..'83	76	100	do.....b10	52
3,000	Har. 2d m. bs.	86	100	do.	52
5,000	Ill. C. R. bs	86	50	M.S.&N.Ia.R.....b30	20⅜
5,000	M.&M.2d m.10 b.	66	100	do.	20⅜
20	Metropolitan Bk	112	100	do.....b30	20⅜
29	Pacific M. S. Co.	90⅜	25	M.S.& N.Ia.G.S.b60	48
25	Erie Railroad	17	50	Ill. Cen. R. R.	66⅜
5	do.	16⅞	100	do.....s30	66⅜
50	N. Y. C. R. R.	83⅜	100	do.	66⅜
100	do.....s30	83⅜	50	Gal. & Chi. R. R.b60	71⅜
100	do.....s30	83⅜	50	do.	71⅛
210	do.	83⅜	125	do.	71⅛
400	do.....b30	83⅜	300	Cl. & Tol. R.....b60	31⅛
100	Reading R. R.	51⅜	100	Chi. & R. I. R.	59⅛
100	do.....s30	51⅜	100	do.	59⅛
50	L. C. & Mil. R. R.	3	100	do.....b60	59⅛

REPORTED SALES BY AUCTION.

$1,000	Lex'tn City 6s	40	20	Am.GuanoCo.pr sh	$8⅛
1,000	L. E. & Wab'h 7s	54	100	Ocean Bank	97⅛
1,000	Water. City 8s	25	40	Chatham Bank	84⅞
1,000	Sun M. Ins., '53	72	20	Shoe & L. Bank	114
5,000	Joliet City, Ill. 8s	60	20	Excel. Fire Ins. Co.	111⅛
1,000	Chic., St. Paul & Fond du Lac 8s	10⅜	10	do.	110
3,000	Mar. & Cin. R. 7s	40	30	P. Cooper F.Ins.Co.	111
22,000	Rac.& Miss.R. 10s	40	30	Gebhard F. Ins. Co.	98⅛
10,000	Cl. & Pitts. R. 6s	43	30	Fire. Fund Ins. Co.	102⅛
2,000	Pike Co. R.R. 10s	63	50	Firemen's F.Ins.Co.	147
5	Amer. Ex. Bank	106⅜	10	Wash. Fire Ins. Co.	165
5	do.	106⅜	10	Com'n'lth F.I. Co.	94⅛
5	Hanover Bank	85	40	Sixth-av. Railroad	120⅜
5	do.	84	50	Knick. Stage Co.	33
5	Bank of Com.	104	200	N. Y. C. Stage Co.	80
			100	Gardiner G M. Co.	13

THURSDAY, Dec. 23—P. M.

At the Stock Exchange to-day the dealings were again active, and a further improvement in prices to the extent of ½@1 ℘ cent. was established on most of the Western Securities, and ½@1 ℘ cent. on New-York Central. At one time the advance on Rock Island was 1½ ℘ cent.; sales as high as 59½ ℘ cent., and Galena 71¼ ℘ cent. After the printed list of the Second Board, there were sales at 58¾, and at 70¾@⅞ ℘ cent. Illinois Central Shares advanced to 66¼ ℘ cent., but subsequently closed a fraction below 66 ℘ cent. The recent sellers for the decline at the low prices for these three Stocks of course resist the recovery in prices; and the orders from new parties, though tolerably liberal to-day, were not equal, at the close, to the pressure of contracts. The top rate for New-York Central was 83¾, closing 83¾, sales. A further advance of 1 ℘ cent. was established for Michigan Central Shares; and there was a recovery of 2 ℘ cent. from the lowest price of Illinois Central Construction Bonds. The precipitate decline of 7 ℘ cent. in these Bonds seems to have been without just cause and upon no rational calculation of the *short* sellers. The Construction mortgage is the first and only lien upon 704 miles Railway and its equipment, and upon *two millions of acres of land*, of which 879,376 acres have already been sold for $11,643,670; the remainder being of the value, on the same scale, of about $15,000,000. The original mortgage is for $17,000,000. The collections from the early Land Sales have already cancelled $937,000; leaving the sum outstanding at the close of 1858....$16,063,000

Secured by
Land Notes to become due....$10,706,670
Lands unsold.................. 15,000,000—$25,706,670

Surplus land security......................$9,643,670

And the Railway and Equipment in addition. The mortgage matures in 1875. The Land Sales mature in five years after sale, after which the Land Notes will be made to bear at least the same rate of interest as the Bonds, if not paid in full. The interest upon the Bonds, in the meantime, is secured by the product of the Railway and the further assessment of at least $6,125,000 upon the Shares. The collections from the Land Sales, though coming in comparatively light until after 1860, already constitute an unprecedented Sinking Fund for the Bonds. Even through the present year, succeding a crisis which necessarily reached this interest at once, $385,000 of the Construction Bonds alone have been canceled. The argument against the securities of the Company in a year like the present, when all Northwestern traffic is at a low ebb, is that the Railroad itself is unproductive, and that if this state of things should continue, its revenues will be unavailable to aid in paying the future interest on the Construction Bonds. All this is answered by the following figures for eleven months of the poorest year the Western Railway interest has ever known:

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, 1858—ELEVEN MONTHS.

	Earnings.	Working Expenses.
January	$126,652 48	$101,947 51
February	112,882 55	93,911 53
March	159,584 32	121,125 31
April	176,701 83	116,685 39
May	156,812 60	124,180 13
June	151,481 41	133,571 30
July	161,989 73	125,608 39
August	197,927 00	124,299 07
September	219,128 37	131,203 81
October	181,364 01	113,231 51
November	151,199 48	113,355 40
Totals	$1,795,723 78	$1,299,119 35
Net for eleven months		$496,504

The State Stocks were again steady, 89½ for Missouris, and 97¾ for Virginias, sales. In Erie, Harlem, Hudson and New-York Central Bonds the bids were ½@1 ℘ cent. better than early in the week, and the recovery in the La Crosse Land Grants is 1 ℘ cent. The new Federal Stock brought 104½, interest from 1st January, 1859. There is some dissatisfaction expressed that the Secretary of the Treasury should have left the first coupon off the second ten millions—the broken interest to 1st July to be placed on the books to the credit of the taker. It would have been much more convenient to all parties to attach the July coupon to the new bonds, to make them uniform with the first ten millions, and add the accrued interest in settlement of the principal as paid in. The blunder, however, gives better currency to the present bonds, which begin to carry interest on the first regular coupons on the first of January. Panama Shares were firm at 120¼@¾ each, and 120@120½ on sellers' options. Pacific Mail steady at 90½ ℘ cent Delaware and Hudson sold up to 96½ ℘ cent. Hudson River and Harlem Preferred Shares were ½ ℘ cent. better. The general market, at the close, was less animated, and a fraction lower than in the printed dealings.

The day has been a tame one in Money affairs. The Discount rates vary but slightly from day to day, and the demand for money on temporary employment from the Brokers is rather falling off than increasing. The Banks will average this week on five business days instead of six, on account of Christmas. The next Statement, from appearances now, will show no material variation in either the Discount or Specie line. The California packet of Dec. 5 is announced as having passed down the Pacific, with $1,500,000 in gold for New-York, and will be due here on Tuesday next. The following is a summary of the Bank movement last reported from the four principal cities of the country. The Sub-Treasury received to-day $200,462; paid out, $170,672; balance this afternoon, $6,034,284.

	Loans.	Deposits.	Specie.	Circulat'n.
New-York, Dec. 18	$127,055,010	$89,690,032	$26,608,877	$7,710,627
Boston, Dec 20	59,305,612	22,339,747	9,292,148	6,742,580
Philadelphia, Dec. 20.	26,116,640	16,688,671	6,323,454	2,663,380
New-Orleans, Dec. 11.	18,478,702	23,677,245	15,452,344	8,049,939
Sub-Trea., N.Y., Dec.18	....	....	6,335,916	....
Total	$230,955,964	152,390,695	64,012,745	25,164,506
Last week	230,163,104	150,340,880	64,359,879	25,143,657

The Continental Bank has made a half-yearly dividend of 3½ ℘ cent. The Rome and Watertown Road 3 ℘ cent. The Long Island Insurance Company 10 ℘ cent. Mechanics' and Traders' Bank, Jersey City, 5 ℘ cent. Washington Insurance 10 ℘ cent. Morris and Essex Road, $1,50 the share.

Our attention has been called to the fact that the Panama Railway is rapidly becoming an *English* interest, so far as ownership is concerned, while the credit of putting through the work under immense physical difficulties, and in good season from the date of the undertaking, belongs exclusively to American enterprise: to a very few bold spirits, indeed, in the City of New-York. The comparatively moderate cost in which this great property stands, say $8,000,000, of which only $5,000,000 is represented in Stock, and about $2,700,000 in Bonds, (the remainder in surplus income,) has quite naturally attracted the notice of English capitalists, who were ready to spend *seventy-five millions* on a Canal across the same Isthmus, had the preliminary surveys proved or even encouraged the hope of its ultimate success. They have accordingly taken, through Messrs. BARING, and other parties in London, the whole of the first mortgage, £450,000, (the equivalent of $2,215,000,) and about £125,000 of the second; each bearing 7 ℘ cent. ℘ annum, and about $1,250,000 of the shares, payable 12 ℘ cent. ℘ annum, with the prospect ahead of 16, 18, or 20 ℘ cent. ℘ annum. The English thus hold already *one-half* the representative value of the property, and should the Australian interest become identified with it, of which there is a good prospect, the probability is, they will buy up nearly the whole, if permitted to do so, by a moderate currency for the shares on this side. In a political point of view, such a result can hardly be considered desirable for our Government; and financially viewed, we believe we have a sufficient number of wealthy, and sagacious, and appreciative capitalists at home to hold on to at least a controlling interest in the capital of $5,000,000, even though the shares should go up to 150 ℘ cent.

Messrs. TAYLOR BROS. quote Land Warrants thus:

	Buying.	Selling.
160 acres	82	85
120 acres	79	82
80 acres	84	87
40 acres	100	110

BANKING AND FINANCIAL ADVERTISEMENTS

☞ SIGHT AND TIME BILLS, on all the Southern cities, purchased by DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.
SEPT. 24, 1858.

Real Estate....THURSDAY, Dec. 23.

At public auction Mr. MULLER sold to-day the following property between One Hundred and Ninth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, and Sixth and Seventh avenues. It is situated on one of the twelve blocks which it is contemplated to add to the Central Park, and the prices paid were probably affected by the present uncertainty of that addition being made. The first plot sold was 16 lots, 200 feet square, on the east side of Seventh-avenue; bought by ISAAC VAN CLEEF at $425 per lot.

The second plot was 4 through lots—8 in all—commencing 300 feet from Sixth-avenue; bought by E. H. ELY at $475 per lot.

The third plot was 16 lots, 200 feet square on the west side of Sixth-avenue; bought by HENRY A. HURLBUT, Esq., as follows: the 8 avenue lots at $650 ℘ lot; the 8 street lots at $520 ℘ lot. Not far from 60 ℘ cent. of the purchase money remains on mortgage.

Messrs. RAYNOR & BLACKWELL report the sale of six through lots between Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth streets, 320 feet from Fifth-avenue, at $1,800 ℘ lot.

We hear that Dr. S. P. TOWNSEND has purchased of the Broadway Tabernacle Association the balance of their front on Sixth-avenue, between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets, being four lots on the south-east corner, for the sum of $33,000. The Doctor has already commenced improving them, as we presume, with houses to front on Thirty-fifth-street.

We also hear of the sale of Mr. BENJAMIN'S front of 8 lots on the east side of Madison-avenue, between Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth streets, for the sum of $60,000, or $7,500 ℘ lot.

Philadelphia Stock Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Dec. 23.

Stocks steady. Pennsylvania State 5s, 95¾; Long Island Railroad, 11¼; Reading Railroad, 25¾; Pennsylvania Railroad, 42¾; Morris Canal, 48.

Markets by Telegraph.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Dec. 23.

FLOUR steady. WHEAT dull; Red, $1 20@$1 26; White, $1 35@$1 40. CORN steady; new Yellow, 72c.@73c. WHISKY steady, at 24¼c.@25¼c.

BALTIMORE, Thursday, Dec. 23.

FLOUR dull. WHEAT steady; White, $1 35@$1 50. CORN firm and 1c. higher; White, 66c.@67c.; Yellow, 69c.@71c. PROVISIONS active. WHISKY dull at 25¼c.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Dec. 23.

COTTON—Sales, to-day, 9,000 bales, at easier but quotably unchanged prices. MOLASSES, 27¾c.@28c. for choice. MESS PORK, $18 50.

CINCINNATI, Thursday, Dec. 23.

FLOUR—Sales 800 bbls. at $4 50@$5. WHISKY opened unsettled, closing at 21¾c.@22¼c. HOGS dull, and declined 25c.; sales at $6 50@$6 75—the market closing heavy. *Receipts to-day*—5,500. PROVISIONS dull and heavy. MESS PORK—Sales at $18 50, for delivery in May. LARD, 10¾c.@11c.

MOBILE, Tuesday, Dec. 21.

COTTON—Sales to-day, 6,000 bales, at 11½c. for Middling. The sales for the last three days add up 14,500 bales, and the receipts 24,500.

MOBILE, Wednesday, Dec. 22.

COTTON active; sales to-day, 4,000 bales, at unchanged prices.

SAVANNAH, Thursday, Dec. 23.

COTTON.—Sales to-day 1,000 bales at stiffer but not quotably higher prices. The sales of the week foot up 7,000 bales. The receipts at this port ahead of last year are 159,000 bales; ditto at all Southern ports 664,700 bales. Stock 70,000 bales.

Movements of Ocean Steamers.

FOR EUROPE.

Names.	Date.	Leaves.	For.
Arabia	Dec. 29	Boston	Liverpool.
Circassian	Dec. 30	New-York	Galway.
Kangaroo	Jan. 1	New-York	Liverpool.
Asia	Jan. 5	New-York	Liverpool.
Fulton	Jan. 8	New-York	Southam'n
Weser	Jan. 8	New-York	Bremen.
Canada	Jan. 12	Boston	Liverpool.
City of Baltimore	Jan. 15	New-York	Liverpool.

FROM EUROPE.

Names.	Date.	Leaves.	For.
Ariel	Dec. 1	Southampton	New-York.
Saxonia	Dec. 4	Southampton	New-York.
Karnak	Dec. 4	Liverpool	New-York.
Weser	Dec. 4	Bremen	New-York.
Kangaroo	Dec. 8	Liverpool	New-York.
Circassian	Dec. 9	Galway	New-York.
Asia	Dec. 11	Liverpool	New-York.
Fulton	Dec. 15	Southampton	New-York.

FOR THE PACIFIC COAST.

Names.	Date.	Leaves.	For.
Washington	Dec. 23	New-York	San Juan.
Quaker City	Jan. 12	New-Orleans	Minatitlan

FOR MEXICO.

Names.	Date.	Leaves.	For.
Tennessee	Jan. 1	New-Orleans	Vera Cruz.

FOR HAVANA.

Names.	Date.	Leaves.	For.
Black Warrior	Dec. 27	New-York	Havana.
Isabel	Jan. 4	Charleston	Havana.

Passengers Arrived.

In steamship Jamestown, from Norfolk, Richmond, &c.—Chas. H. Locher, J. W. Havens, W. H. Lyman, Miss H. Bendan, R. L. Hobson, Miss J. Waterbury, Miss M. E. Woody, Miss M. Banks, D. M. Rodman, J. L. F. Meinekheim, daughter and 2 sons, H. A. Dwight, and 5 in the steerage.

In ship Daniel Webster, from London—Miss Catherine Bell, Messrs. John Mann, Wm. N. Kearney, George S. Pihe, Wm. Daniels.

In brig T. Tileston, from Carthagena—C. A. Woodruff, R. L. Stewart, T. C. Ferregra, A. Recar.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.
Sun rises..... 7 22 | Sun sets..... 4 38 | Moon sets..... 9 51
HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.
Sandy Hook.10 46 | Gov. Island.11 35 | Hell Gate.....12 57

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....THURSDAY, Dec. 23.

Cleared.

Steamers George's Creek, Morley, Baltimore, H. B. Cromwell & Co.; Boston, Sellew, Philadelphia, F. Perkins, Agent.

Ships Mayflower, Hoyt, Trieste, C. C. Duncan & Co.; Plutarch, Barker, Antwerp, Howland & Frothingham.

Brigs Henrietta, Hodsdon, Turk's Island, McCall & Frith; M. Hamilton, Bailey, Mobile, Laytin & Hurlbut; Orkney, (Br.,) Murphy, Gibraltar and a market, Thos. James; Favorite, (Dutch,) Prince, Curacoa, Jos. Folk's Sons; Saginaw, Case, Laguayra, A. M. Seixas.

Schooners S. Bruen, Douglas, Georgetown, ——; Julia Fox, Deming, Apalachicola, Eagle & Hazard; Enchantress, Jayne, Charleston, McCready, Mott & Co.; M. H. Banks, Banks, Philadelphia, Jas. Hand; Sarah Elizabeth, Smith, New-Haven, master; J. W., Faulklin, Boston, Dayton & Sprague; Hanover, Eayres, Cape Palmas and a market, Abranches, Almeida & Co.

Sloops Harvest, Corwin, Bristol, master; Franklin, Avery, Providence, J. B. Edwards.

Arrived.

Steamship Jamestown, Parrish, Richmond, &c., with mdse. and passengers to H. Ludlam.

Steamer Boston, Sellew, Philadelphia, with mdse. to F. Perkins.

Steamer Pelican, Aldrich, Providence, with mdse. to Isaac Odell.

Ship Success, Chase, Liverpool Nov. 3, with mdse. and 28 passengers to Walsh, Carver & Chase. From 15th to 20th November, in lat. 40, lon. 37, experienced very heavy gales from N. W. to S. W.; shipped considerable water, which filled the cabin, stove forward deck-house, and did other damage.

Ship Daniel Webster, (packet,) Spencer, London Nov. 6, with mdse. and 29 passengers to E. E. Morgan. Nov. 13, lat. 51, lon. 27, in a gale, with high sea, Wm. Laughlin and John Harrison, seamen, were lost from the jib-boom. Nov. 14, lat. 50 17, lon. 29 30, in a gale from the south, fell in with Br. ship United Kingdom, of Belfast, from Quebec Oct. 6, for Belfast, lumber loaded, with loss of rudder and waterlogged; her crew were in a bad condition from exhaustion, the ship having been in distress 15 ds.; hove to under her lee, and rescued the captain, officers and crew, 29 in number, since which time the D. W. has had a succession of heavy gales from the west.

Ship Galena, Leavitt, New-Orleans and the Bar Dec. 1, with mdse. to Wm. Nelson & Sons. Dec. 18, lat. 36 23, lon. 76 18, saw a bark strg. S. S. W., showing Hargous Bros. signal.

Bark Ithuriel, (Br., of Liverpool,) Laing, Rio Janeiro Nov. 15—passed Pernambuco 29th, with coffee to Napier, Rankin & Co. Nov. 29, saw bark Reindeer getting under way in Pernambuco for Rio Janeiro. Same day, off Olinda, passed an Am. ship in tow of a steam-tug, towards Pernambuco, with loss of mainmast-head, topgallant masts, &c.; showed Marryatt's signals, 3d dist. pendant, 715—the last figure not certain about. Nov. 30, lat. 26 S., lon. 34 40, signalized an Am. bark standing southward, showing white flag with red cross under the ensign.

Brig Gazelle, (Dan.,) Johannsen, Rio Grande Nov. 8, with hides, &c., to James Demarest. Nov. 28, lat. 9 14 S., lon. 33 36 W., signalized Hamburg bark Macassar, No. 435, bound to Mocha. Same time, Dutch bark Amicitia, strg. southward. The bark Phœnix, for Cape de Verds, sld. Nov. 8.

Brig Granada, (of Portland,) Pettingell, Santa Cruz, Cuba, Dec. 7, with fustic, cedar, &c., to Thompson & Hunter. Has had heavy weather on the passage.

Brig Leonard Berry, Frith, Trinidad, Cuba, 14 ds., in ballast to Smith, Jones & Co. Oct. 30, (on the outward passage,) lat. 34 38, lon. 71 25, spoke bark Laton, of Baltimore, 9 ds. from New-Orleans for Pernambuco, all well—wished to be reported.

Brig T. Tileston, Morrell, Carthagena 18 ds., with hides, &c., to P. N. Spofford. Left no Am. vessels.

Schr. Sea Witch, Egbert, Havana Dec. 12, with oranges to T. Gilmartin. Sld. in co. with bark Tacony, of Philadelphia, for New-York.

Schr. Emma V., (of Provincetown,) Cook, Carthagena 20 ds., with tobacco, fustic, &c., to Bassett, Bacon & Co. 4th inst., lat. 13 30, lon. 76, in a gale from N. E., shipped a sea which started deck-load of fustic and washed it overboard, also taking with it one of the men, but fortunately he succeeded in reaching the vessel again.

Schr. J. Darling, Terry, Rio Grande Nov. 8, with hides, &c., to Corning, Bento & Co. Sld. in co. with barks Phœnix, for Cape de Verdes, and Danish clipper-brig Gazelle, for New-York. 1st inst., off Pernambuco, saw a small schr., supposed hailed from New-London, bd. S., and understood them to say 55 ds. out.

Schr. Wm. B. Horsey, (of Vienna,) Colbourne, St. Ann's Bay, Jam., 5th inst., with coffee, &c., to A. H. Solomon. Left no Am. vessels.

Schr. Kate Field, Robinson, Savannah 7 ds., with cotton, &c., to D. C. Murray.

Schr. Mary Stedman, Terry, St. Mary's, Geo., 8 ds., with naval stores to Dibble & Bunce.

Schr. F. Merwin, Avery, Georgetown, S. C., 3 ds., with naval stores to Dollner, Potter & Co.

Schr. Ben, McCready, Wilmington, N. C., via Norfolk 2 ds., (where she put in, in distress,) with naval stores to E. S. Powell.

Schr. Stephen Taber, Cook, Wilmington, N. C., 3 ds., with naval stores to Dollner, Potter & Co.

Schr. A. J. De Rossett, Tucker, Wilmington, N. C., 5 ds., with naval stores to Jonas Smith & Co.

Schr. Southern Belle, Smith, Wilmington, N. C., 4 ds., with naval stores to D. C. Murray.

Schr. T. P. Barkalow, Haynes, Poplar Point, S. C., 4 ds., with shingles to Benton Bros.

Schr. Seaman, Lank, Seaford, Del., 2 ds., with grain to R. D. Barratt.

Schr. John Jones, Simmons, Wilmington, Del., 3 ds., with flour, &c., to S. C. Paxson & Co.

Schr. Ida, Clark, Charleston 9 ds., with cotton and rice to Scranton & Tallman.

Schr. B. E. Sharp, Mayo, Philadelphia 5 ds., with coal.
Schr. Chase, Lawrence, Baltimore 6 ds., corn to order.
Schr. J. P. Cake, Endicott, Philadelphia 3 ds., coal.
Schr. Aid, English, Philadelphia 3 ds., with coal.
Schr. Minerva, Brooks, Delaware City, for Greenport.
Schr. R. S. Miller, Miller, Philadelphia 3 ds., coal.
Schr. Mary Ann, Magee, Philadelphia, for Boston.
Schr. Hunter, Rackett, Elizabethport, for Providence.
Schr. Lanson Dean, Drinkwater, Rockland 5 ds., lime.
WIND—Sunset, south with rain.

Sailed.

Ships Andrew Jackson, Williams, San Francisco; Richard Alsop, Watlington, New-Orleans; Palestine, Pratt, London; Harvest Queen, Young, Liverpool; Aspasia, Sissons, San Francisco; Donau, (Ham.,) Myer, Hamburg; Dr. Barth, (Ham.,) Myer, Hamburg. Barks Theresa, Foster, St. Thomas; Emily, Tilton, Cadiz; Texas, Merrill, Rosario. Ship Kate Sweetland, Spalding, Callao.

The steamship Roanoke, reported sailed yesterday, will lay over until Saturday.

Below.

Bark Eliza Hamilton, from Rio Janeiro.
Brig Norfolk, (of Eastport,) from Jamaica.
Also, a large double topsail-yard ship, supposed the J. Foster, Jr., Abeel, from Liverpool Nov. 6.—(By pilot-boat No. 11.)

Miscellaneous.

The Panama Railroad Company have just purchased the fine bark Magdalena, of about 300 tons burden, which has been added to their well patronised line of freight vessels plying between New-York and Aspinwall. The line is now composed of seven vessels—two barks and five brigs—their departures from each port being so arranged as to have one vessel always on the berth for the reception of freight. The rapid increase of business upon this route, where but three years ago there was not a vessel regularly employed, has scarcely a parallel in the history of our commerce.

MOBILE, Dec. 21.—The lighter-steamer Streck burst her boiler and sunk in Mobile Bay, with 100 bales cotton for the bark Edwin, for Boston. The steamer was unseaworthy.—(By telegraph to the Secretary of Board of Underwriters.)

By Telegraph.

BOSTON, Dec. 23—The steamer W. H. Webb, from New-York, for Boston, to tow around the ship [illegible] of New-York, passed Chatham at 12:30 to-day.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 23—Arr. ships [illegible], from Bordeaux; Wm. Lord, from Granada; barks G. W. Poultney, from Philadelphia; W. W. Lincoln, from Rio de Janeiro. The steamship Cahawba, from New-York via Havana, is below.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 23—Arr. brig Samuel Welsh, from Rio de Janeiro.

Spoken, &c.

Luconio—bark, of Boston, bound S., Dec. 19, lat. 36 27, lon. 74 32.

Manitou—clipper ship, stdg. southward, was signalized Nov. 30, 44 55, lon. 36 03.

Whistling Wind—bark, standing to S. W., Nov. 18, lat. 20 20 S., lon. 37 30.

Foreign Shipping Intelligence.

PER PACIFIC.

Arrived from New-York—Dec. 3, Emma, at Helvoet; 4th, Union, at Bremen; Floating Cloud, at Greenock; 5th, Annie Laurie and Centurion, at do; Havre and Yorktown, at Deal; Quiver, at Falmouth; 7th, [illegible], at Liverpool.

Arrived from New-Orleans—Dec. 2, Artisan, at Havre; Heidelberg and Holland, at do.; 5th, Margaret, at do.; 3d, Quebec, at Dover; 4th, Boody, at Bremen; Calendar at Cork; 5th, Vandalia and Caroline Nesmith, at Liverpool; Albatross, at do.

Arrived from Philadelphia—Dec. 5, Hippolandric, at Deal.

Arrived from Charleston—Dec. 1, W. Lucas, at Havre; 4th, Quickstep and Norma, at Liverpool; Content, at Queenstown; 8th, John Ravenel, at Liverpool.

Arrived from Savannah—Dec. 4, Hyneford and George Davies, at Liverpool; 5th, Oswego, at do.; 9th, Albatross at do.

Arrived from Mobile—Dec. 1, Alfred Storer, at Havre; 2d, Alice Provost and Edward Dennison, at do.

Arrived from Melbourne—Dec. 8, Marco Paro, at Liverpool, with £185,000 in gold.

Sailed for New-York—Dec. 5, Emily Hall, from Deal; Emerald, from do.; 6th, Lorenzo, from Liverpool; 7th, Horizon, from do.

Sailed for New-Orleans—Dec. 5, Walter Scott, from Deal: 6th, Middleton, from Liverpool.

Sailed for Mobile—Dec. 4, Culloden, from Liverpool.

Sailed for Savannah—Dec. 6, Rosalie, from Liverpool.

Sailed for Boston—Dec. 4, Actrine, from the Clyde.

Sailed for Charleston—Dec. 6, Etowas, from Liverpool.

Foreign Ports.

At Carthagena, Dec. 9, bark Hyperion, for New-York; brigs Mirror, unc.; Humboldt, do.; Speedaway, do.; do.: Windward, do.; schr. Isaac Hinkley, do.

At Rio Grande, Nov. 8, bark Maria Johnson, from Baltimore, for New-York.

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